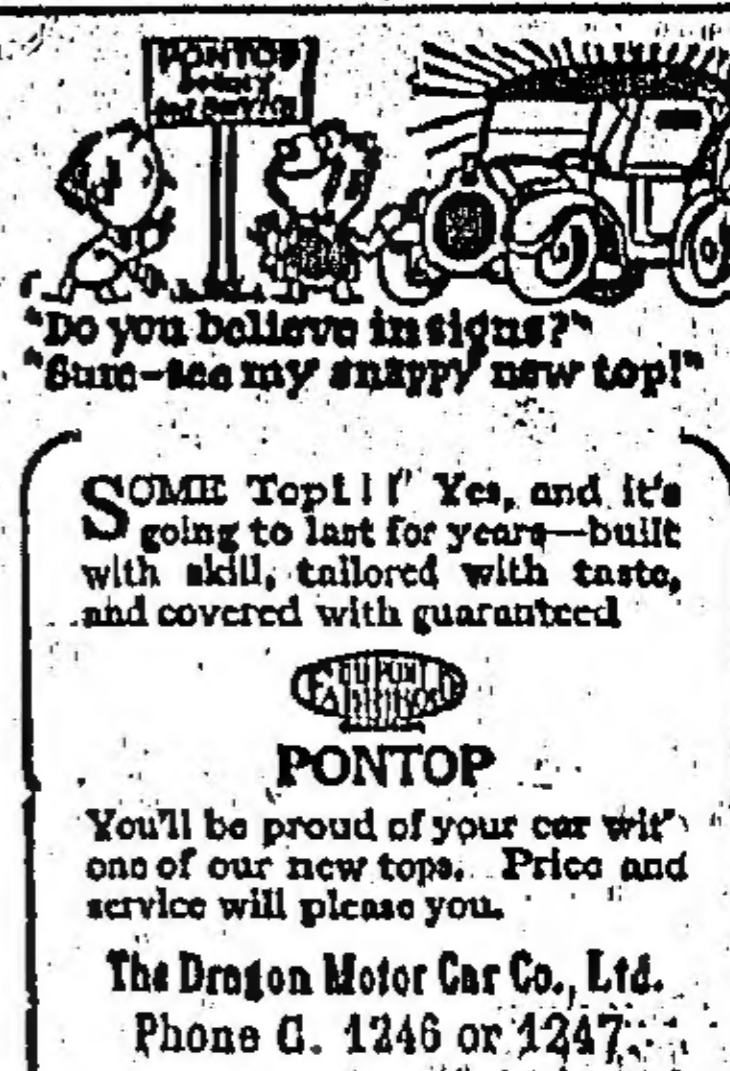


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HANKOW DEADLOCK ISSUE.

TROOPS MAY REMAIN AT HONGKONG.

BRITISH CABINET'S SPECIAL DELIBERATIONS.

SOVIET INFLUENCE SEEN.

In view of the new turn of events at Hankow, a special Committee of the British Cabinet has been appointed to deal with the situation, and, at a meeting being held to-day, the position will be thoroughly explored.

One possible solution of the Hankow deadlock is that the Shanghai Defence Force should not, for the moment, proceed further than Hongkong. The Suffolks have already arrived here and the First Cruiser Squadron, now on its way to Hongkong from Singapore, is to await further orders on arriving here.

The question of Russian influence behind the Nationalist movement has been dealt with in speeches at Home by two Cabinet Ministers:

London, Feb. 3. It is learned that a special meeting of the Cabinet is being held to-morrow, when the whole situation arising out of the new turn in the conversations at Hankow will be discussed.—*Reuter*.

London, Feb. 3. The Chinese situation continues to engage the closest attention of the Government.

The Cabinet meeting has been postponed until to-morrow when the position created by Mr. Eugene Chen's refusal to sign the draft agreement regarding the status of the Concessions at Hankow and Kiukiang will be fully reviewed.

The Cabinet will have before it the comments of the British representatives in China as well as the statement in which Mr. Chen, in announcing the suspension of negotiations, stated that it was not and never had been within the contemplation of the Nationalist Government to occupy the International Settlement at Shanghai by force.

Meanwhile, reports of new decisions and developments must be discounted.—*British Wireless*.

The Cabinet Committee established to deal with the Chinese situation is believed to include the Premier, Sir Austen Chamberlain and Earl Balfour.—*Reuter*.

FRESH INSTRUCTIONS.

BEING SENT TO HANKOW.

London, Feb. 3. It is learned authoritatively in London that reports have now been received from Mr. O'Malley regarding the latest stage of his conversations with Mr. Eugene Chen, and that fresh instructions will probably be sent to Hankow to-day.

It is declared that the conversations will obviously take an entirely new turn as the result of the sudden change in Mr. Eugene Chen's attitude. The real question at the moment is the immediate threat to Shanghai, the most important consideration being how to fill the gap in the arrangements for the defence of life in case of necessity.

No reply has yet been sent to the Note from the Peking Government.—*Reuter*.

THE POSSIBLE SOLUTION.

TROOPS MAY STOP AT HONGKONG.

Hankow, Feb. 3. Hankow is outwardly calm despite the abrupt termination of the negotiations on which all hopes for an amicable settlement had been pinned for the past three weeks.

Mr. Eugene Chen's declaration is regarded as a confession of failure to win over the extremists to the moderate view.

While it is recognised that Britain is scarcely likely to withdraw from the position she has taken up with regard to the despatch of troops, a possible solution to the present deadlock is seen in the suggestion which is finding favour in many quarters, that the expedition will not proceed further than Hongkong. This, it is pointed out, would "save face" all round without endangering the British position at Shanghai and, at the same time, give Mr. Eugene Chen and the moderates a chance to make a final bid for reasonableness on the part of the hitherto intransigent Nationalists. It is also felt that Britain's case would be made clearer and stronger if the text of the draft Agreement were published.—*Reuter*.

CRUISER SQUADRON.

COMING TO HONGKONG.

The First Cruiser Squadron, H. M. S. Forth, H. M. S. Delhi, H. M. S. Danao, H. M. S. Dauntless and H. M. S. Coventry, which left Singapore yesterday, are coming to Hongkong, and on enquiry from the naval authorities this morning we were informed that they are likely to remain in the Colony awaiting further orders.

With regard to the military contingents now on their way East, we were informed to-day that so far no change of orders has been issued.

NAVAL NEWS.

MORE MISSIONARIES MOVING.

Ichang, Feb. 2. Troop movement down river in commandeered French, Italian and Japanese steamers continues.

Eighty-six missionaries reached Ichang to-day from Szechuan and fifty-six others are expected to-morrow. Seventy-five missionaries are leaving Chungking to-morrow.—*Naval Wireless*.

HANKOW INCIDENT.

Hankow, Feb. 2.

It is rumoured that a demonstration against the Asiatic Petroleum Company is to be held to-morrow, following a collision between the s.s. Fookwang and a native ferry boat.—*Naval Wireless*.

U. S. CRUISERS.

SAIL FOR HONOLULU.

Panama, Feb. 3. The U. S. Cruiser Raleigh is joining the Richmond, Cincinnati and Marblehead sailing to Honolulu to-day where they will await orders, possibly to China.—*Reuter's American Service*.

LABOUR CONSULTED.

INTERVIEW WITH PREMIER.

London, Feb. 3. A meeting of the National Joint Council, representing the General Council of the Trade Union Congress, the National Executive of the Labour Party, and the Parliamentary Labour Party, was held in London this morning to consider Mr. Eugene Chen's telegram.

Subsequently, the Foreign Secretary, accompanied by Mr. Stanley Baldwin, received a small deputation of the Council consisting of Messrs. George Hicks, Walter Citrine and George Lansbury, whom Mr. Ramsay MacDonald (Continued on Page 12.)

THE SUFFOLKS.

ARRIVAL OF THE 2ND BATTALION.

STAYS HERE AT PRESENT.

Hongkong has another Battalion of British troops on the garrison strength consequent on the arrival here to-day of the 2nd Battalion, Suffolk Regiment, which left Gibraltar on December 31st for service in the East. The greater part of the Battalion arrived here on the hired transport Achilles, a few details and horses having reached here yesterday in advance of the main body by the s.s. Patroclus. Major A. G. Taylor is in command, Lieut.-Col. F. S. Cooper having proceeded Home on sick leave.

Until a few days ago, it was intended that the Battalion would proceed direct to Shanghai, but until further orders the Suffolks will remain here in Hongkong. One company is to be posted to Lyceum, another will be quartered at Whitfield Barracks, Kowloon, whilst the remaining two companies will be accommodated at Wellington and Victoria Barracks. The officers' mess will be situated at the Hotel Savoy.

THE OFFICERS.

Besides Major Taylor, the senior officers of the Battalion are: Major A. M. Cuthill, Major N. A. Biddlestone, Major W. P. Croker, Capt. R. W. Leach, Capt. G. G. Carpenter, D.S.O., Capt. G. F. Hill, M.C., Capt. E. H. W. Backhouse, Capt. E. H. Faulconer Wright, Capt. F. C. Berrill, Capt. P. R. W. Cartwright, and Capt. S. P. Inskip. The adjutant is Lieut. H. R. Hopking.

Sixteen subalterns complete the list of officers as follows: Lieutenants V. C. Russell, D.S.O., M.C., F. H. Vinden, N. A. Bott, M.C., D.C.M., M.M., R. H. Maxwell, R. Q. March, E. R. D. Elias, O. A. Watts, G. T. E. Grey, W. J. G. Waltefs, R. H. Unwin, A. R. D. Heyland, N. H. Harrington, N. M. Barnardiston, R. H. I. Hopkins, Second Lieutenants: I. L. Wright, and J. R. H. Unwin. Lieut. B. G. E. Drew is Quarter Master.

WITH REGIMENT IN 1914.

It is of interest to note that four of the officers were with the Suffolk Regiment in 1914, three of them with the battalion. Capt. R. W. Leach was with the 1st Batt. from 1910 to 1914 as first lieutenant, while Capt. E. H. W. Backhouse, Capt. P. R. W. Cartwright and Capt. S. P. Inskip joined the 2nd Battalion, and were second lieutenants together in the early days of the war.

BATTLE HONOURS.

Prior to the Great War, the Regiment's battle honours were: Dettlingen, Minden, Seringatam, India, South Africa 1861-2-3, New Zealand, Afghanistan, South Africa 1899-1902.

The Suffolks had twenty-two battalions in the Great War and their battle honours are appended:—Mons. Le Cateau, Retreat from Mons, Marne 1914, Alsace 1914, La Bassée 1914, Giverny 1914, Neuve Chapelle, Ypres 1915, '17, '18, Gravenstafel, St. Julien, Fezenburg, Bellewaarde, Aubers, Hooge 1915, Loos, Somme 1916-18, Albert 1916-18, Bazentin, Delville Wood, Pozieres, Fiers Courcellette, Morval, Thiepval, Le Transloy, Ancre Heights, Ancre 1916-18, Arras 1917-18, Scarpe 1917-18, Aricux, Ploeghe, Langemarck 1917, Menin Road, Polygon Wood, Poelcappelle, Passchendaele, Cambrai 1917-18, St. Quentin, Bapaume 1918, Lys, Estaires, Messines 1918, Hazebrouck, Baillieu, Kommet, Bethune, Scherpenberg, Amiens, Hindenburg, Line, Epheby, Canal du Nord, Courtrai, Selle, Valenciennes, Sambre, France and Flanders 1914-18, Struna, Dolran 1918, Macedonia 1916-18, Suva, Landing at Suva, Scimitar Hill, Gallipoli 1915, Egypt 1915-17, Gaza, El Mughar, Nebi Samwil, Jerusalem, Jaffa, Tell Aar, Megiddo, Sharon, Palestine 1917-18. (Continued on Page 12.)

YESTERDAY'S QUAKE SHOCKS.

BOTH RECORDED AT LOCAL OBSERVATORY.

800 MILES AWAY.

The earthquake shocks reported from Shanghai yesterday were recorded at the Royal Observatory, Kowloon, and, according to the Director (Mr. T. F. Claxton), the origin was some 1,300 kilometres (or about 800 miles) from Hongkong.

In the first shock, the longitudinal waves began at 11 hrs. 56 min. 15 secs. (Hongkong time), the transverse waves at 11.59.05 and the surface waves at 11.59.30. The maximum occurred at 12.0.25 and the amplitude was 39 mm.

Barely had the first shock died away than the second started. The preliminary tremors of this shock began at 12.55.15, the transverse waves at 12.57.50 and the surface waves at 12.58.23. The maximum occurred at 12.59.25, with an amplitude of 22 mm. This shock died away at 1.50 p.m.

JEWISH STOWAWAY.

ORDER OF PASSAGE MONEY.

Joseph Gurvich (27), a Jew, who stowed away from Shanghai on board the motor ship Fulda, was charged before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court, and sentenced to fourteen days' hard labour.

The defendant produced a letter from the Jewish Society of Shanghai to the local branch, asking the management to assist the defendant as far as possible.

On being informed by the ship's officers that there would not be a vessel going to Shanghai within the next fortnight, his Worship sentenced the defendant to two weeks' imprisonment.

Sometime later, Mr. C. A. Rocha, who was in Court in connection with an assault case in which coolies employed by Messrs. Trollope and Colls, Ltd., whom Mr. Rocha represented, were involved, undertook to advance the passage money to enable the defendant to return to Shanghai.

While sympathising with the defendant, his Worship said he had committed a definite breach of the law and would have to be punished. His sentence would, however, be reduced to one week.

SEVEN REVOLVERS.

CHINESE PASSENGER CHARGED.

A charge of unlawful possession of seven revolvers and 500 rounds of ammunition, was brought against a Chinese passenger of the President Taft, before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning.

Mr. J. T. Prior defended. In applying for a remand for further enquiries, Sergeant Goodwin said that the arms and ammunition were found concealed among the defendant's belongings. The prosecution were asking for bail of \$5,000.

The defendant was remanded till Monday on \$5,000 bail.

JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN.

STATUE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

London, Feb. 3. Immediately after the opening of Parliament an interesting ceremony will take place in the inner lobby of the House of Commons. Lord Balfour will unveil a statue of the late Joseph Chamberlain, the famous father of Sir Austen Chamberlain.—*British Wireless*.

TO-DAY

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CHINA UNREST.

DIFFICULTIES OF EVACUATION.

MISSIONARIES' TRIALS.

The following story, based on the experiences of Mr. Harvey and party, of the Wesleyan Mission, Yiyang, is interesting in itself but far more so (says the *Central China Post*) when considered as but one example of similar difficulties which missionaries and others are experiencing all over the country in their efforts to respond loyally to the precautionary measures which have been considered necessary for the general good.

Everything in and around Yiyang appeared to be perfectly peaceful and orderly when the instructions to evacuate were received, and, though it seemed to be rather a case for the exercise of "local option," Mr. Harvey regarded the order in the light in which it was intended and lost no delay in making his arrangements to leave.

ALL READY.

By the 10th January, everything was in readiness; boats had been engaged, furniture packed and stowed, and it merely remained to settle the evening hour. Mission affairs and get away. The Farmers' Union, however, whose interest in the Mission is not explained, had different ideas and, having got wind of the intended departure, sent some of their most presentable delegates to explain their wishes with regard to the conditions of departure and to enlighten the Mission members on the state of the outside world and the perils of the road.

COMPOUND INVADDED.

Their suggestion was that there was no objection to Mr. Harvey and his party removing their persons but, when it came down to their effects, that was an entirely different matter. There were those who would cast longing eyes at, and eventually lay hands on, anything portable, and saleable and the police but firm suggestion was made that the baggage should be left in the charge of the Union, who would give a receipt for same, guard it carefully and restore it to its rightful owners in the fullness of time. Mr. Harvey protested, whereupon the Union delegates could no longer restrain the burning desire of the Union in particular and the mob in general to "protect" the Harvey effects, and at 1 p.m. a crowd invaded the compound and made strenuous efforts to break into the houses.

PICKETS THROWN OUT.

The Union members, probably thinking that their proposed guardianship showed signs of becoming unprofitable, decided to restrain the ardour of the self-appointed participants and put a stop to the housebreaking campaign by throwing out the pickets. Mr. Harvey, meantime, had sent his car to the local Haier at the first sign of trouble, with the request that assistance be sent, but it was not until some five hours later that the guards appeared on the scene.

After dark the party, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey and three ladies joined forces in the Ladies' house and spent an unpleasant but quiet night. They had hopes of being able to leave at day-break on the 11th, but all such hopes were soon dispelled by the attitude of the pickets, who showed no sign of allowing them to go.

OFFICIALS ARRIVE.

All day long the compound was thronged with a curious crowd and though there were no open acts of hostility their general attitude was one of menace. It seemed evident, after protracted negotiations lasting throughout the whole day, that the Farmers' Union Officials were ready to promise much and powerless to perform. They had, in fact, roused the mob (Continued on Page 12.)

BIG LIBEL ACTION ENDS.

GLADSTONE COMPLETELY VINDICATED.

CAPT. WRIGHT FAILS.

London, Feb. 3. The jury, after two and a half hours' absence, returned a verdict in favour of Lord Gladstone, with costs, and also added a rider that the high moral character of the late Mr. W. E. Gladstone had been completely vindicated.

For six hours in the witness-box, the septuagenarian Lord Gladstone feelingly denied Capt. Wright's suggestions of his father's immorality, and said he still thought Capt. Wright "a foul fellow," and would not withdraw the charges. He denied that he was actuated by malice against Capt. Wright and said he felt sorry for Wright.

Other witnesses for the defence, who testified to Mr. Gladstone's high character, included Lord Phillimore, Mr. H. N. Gladstone, and Lady Gwendolen Cecil, the last-mentioned declaring that her father, Lord Salisbury, had the highest respect for Gladstone.

Mr. Justice Avery only put two questions to the jury, namely, whether the alleged libel was true, and, if not, whether defendant was actuated by malice.—*Reuter*.

NEW BILLS.

PARLIAMENT'S NEXT SESSION.

London, Feb. 3. To-morrow's Cabinet meeting will, besides considering the situation in China, finally decide what measures of legislation will be included in the King's Speech, at the opening of Parliament next Tuesday.

It is understood that a Bill dealing with the position of the Trade Unions is certain to be introduced in the coming Session though its actual details have still to be decided.

Among other measures which are virtually certain to be presented to Parliament are a Bill to amend the King's title in accordance with the decisions taken at the Imperial Conference, and a Bill dealing with British cinema films. The chief object of the latter will be to ensure the exhibition of an adequate proportion of British films at cinema theatres which will accordingly be required to show a certain minimum of British films as fixed by the Bill. Such measure will, necessarily, be somewhat elaborate. It will be necessary, for instance, to give the Board of Trade the power of demanding from picture theatres periodical returns of the films exhibited and of issuing some form of certificate for films which are held to answer to the official description of "British."—*British Wireless*.

FRANCE & PASSPORTS.

VISA PROVISIONALLY REVIVED.

London, Feb. 3. The British Government are in communication with the French Government regarding the latter's intention to re-establish provisionally a visa for passports of foreigners entering France.

The object of the French Government is to prevent the inflow of foreign workers in view of the present unemployment in France. The Anglo-French conversations on the subject are not yet concluded.—*British Wireless*.

GONE TO CUBA.

AN ITALIAN POLITICAL REFUGEE.

London, Feb. 3. Signor Garibaldi, who was one of the Catalan "conspirators" who was deported from France, has left England for Cuba.—*Reuter*.

400 TOURISTS.

"BELGENLAND" DUE TO-DAY.

ON WORLD CRUISE.

Carrying 400 round-the-world tourists, the big Red Star liner Belgenland arrives in Hongkong to-day and will remain here until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, when she sails for Manila.

It was originally intended that she should arrive here on Wednesday next, but on account of conditions in Shanghai the latter port has been omitted from the itinerary, thus making it possible for the liner to reach Hongkong earlier.

OVER 28,000 MILES.

In all, the tour will cover more than 28,000 miles and will extend over 132 days. Included in the ports of call are:—At Havana, Colon, Balboa, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Hilo, Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Hongkong, Manila, Batavia, Singapore, Calcutta, Colombo, Bombay, Port Sudan, Suez, Port Said, Alexandria, Naples, Monaco and Gibraltar.

The cruise directors of the Belgenland have mapped out a well organized schedule of both indoor and outdoor sports throughout the voyage with frequent turn-outs of bridge, tennis, shuffleboard, deck golf and quoits while horse racing, swimming in the two big open-air pools and masquerade balls and dinner parties afford diversion for all tastes.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURES.

Illustrated lectures on travel topics are given frequently, and there is "Question and Answer" hour before each port is reached, in which specific information is given to all who ask it on points concerning the country and city next to be visited. A well-stocked library and a daily newspaper, published on board, afford passengers a variety in reading material.

The Belgenland's present cruise, like that of last year, is under the management of the Red Star Line, owners of the ship, in co-operation with the American Express Company, which has charge of all shore arrangements. The Belgenland—the world's ninth largest liner—not only holds the record of being the largest steamer to enter Hongkong harbour and the largest to have crossed the Pacific, but also the largest of 597 feet in length and 73 feet in breadth, and is engaged in the summer trans-Atlantic trade between New York and Europe.

She is an international ship in the broadest sense. Designed and built at Belfast (completed in 1923), the Belgenland is owned by American stockholders of the International Mercantile Marine Company with headquarters in New York and is operated by the Red Star Line, the principal steamship organization operating between the United States and Belgium. She flies the British flag, but her home port is Antwerp, and she is managed from New York.

HER PERSONNEL.

The Belgenland's commander, Captain Thos. Howell, formerly of the Cunard Line, is English and her officers are chiefly English; her stewards and chefs are English or Belgian. She carries a total crew of 601 persons, of whom 40 are women, including stewardesses, hairdressers, nurses, maids and handmaids. Two surgeons and a dentist, a physical director in charge of the gymnasium, a cruise director and his staff of 15, a master of ceremonies, an educational director and lecturer, two pursers, two bandmasters, an editor for the ship's paper, three printers and a minister of the gospel are also included in the ship's personnel. The kitchen and dining room staff total 325 men.

In her deck arrangement the ship is ideal for cruising. Her promenade deck is enclosed with panels of glass that can be readily lowered to a point permitting a clear view of the sea from one's (Continued on Page 12.)

DEFENCE OF
SHANGHAI.

AMERICAN FORCES.

Manila, Feb. 3. A marine detachment is arriving on the Gold Star from Guam on Friday and is leaving the same day for Shanghai on the U.S.S. Pecos. The number is not yet stated but is presumably 300.—*Reuter*.

Recruits Called For.

New York, Feb. 3. The military authorities have called on ex-servicemen or "especially promising recruits," to volunteer for service in China with the American forces at Tientsin.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Close to Hongkong.

Singapore, Feb. 3. The First Cruiser Squadron, and the Second Battalion of the Durham, have left for Shanghai.—*Reuter*.

SHANGHAI SHAKEN.

SEVERE EARTHQUAKES ROCK
BUILDINGS.

Shanghai, Feb. 3. Very severe earthquake shocks were felt in Shanghai at 11.50 this morning. Buildings rocked and for half a minute it was a distinctly unpleasant experience. Shocks of such severity have been rare here hitherto. No damage is reported.

Another shock of seventy seconds duration was felt at 1 p.m.

Centre Within 200 Miles.

Later. The local observatory states that today's earthquakes centred 150 to 200 miles west or north-west of Shanghai, and are not considered serious.—*Reuter*.

RADIO TELEPHONE.

SERVICE GREATLY
EXTENDED.

Rugby, Feb. 3. The Post Master General announces that the trans-Atlantic telephone service will, on Saturday, be available to and from all places in England, Scotland and Wales. Simultaneously, the service will be extended in America to include the States of Delaware and Maryland.—*British Wireless*.

AVIATION.

NEW MACHINES FOR
CAIRO-KARACHI.

Rugby, Feb. 3. The trial flight took place yesterday of the No. 4 Hercules, a new aeroplane constructed for the Cairo-Karachi route. Captain Broad, the pilot, stated that the flight was in every way successful. Aeroplane No. 5, now under construction, will leave for Cairo on February 23rd.—*British Wireless*.

CHANG KAI-SHEK
ILL.

IN HOSPITAL AT KULING.

Shanghai, Feb. 3. Chang Kai-shek is at present in hospital at Kuling suffering from dysentery.—*Reuter*.

Beirut, Feb. 3. Hassan Atrush, the chief of the rebel tribe of Atrush, has submitted to the French authorities.—*Havas*.

FORGED NOTES.

COOLIE PURCHASES SOME
FLOWERS.

A Chinese coolie, who paid for flowers which he purchased with two forged \$10 Hongkong and Shanghai banknotes, was sent to prison for three months on each of two charges of uttering the notes and possession, by Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning. Detective Sergeant MacDonald was in charge of the case.

In outlining the facts, Sergt. MacDonald said one complainant was hawking flowers on February 1st at about eight o'clock, and the defendant bargained with him as to the price. He eventually agreed to pay \$1 for some, and tendered a \$10 note. The hawker was doubtful as to whether the note was genuine or not, and a Chinese detective who was passing in plain clothes remarked there were a lot of forged notes in circulation. The note was handed to the detective, who pronounced it a forgery.

A crowd had in the meanwhile collected, and the second complainant came forward and handed a similar note to the detective, declaring that the defendant had handed it to him an hour previously, and on which he gave \$9.20 in change. This was also a forgery.

The defendant was searched and was found to have \$8.85 in good money in his possession. He had been given every opportunity to produce the man who he said gave him the note, but he had been unable to do so.

Witnesses were called who corroborated the facts for the prosecution.

The defendant said an old man bought flowers from him to the value of \$4 and he gave a \$10 note, receiving \$6 in change. He denied the charges and said he knew nothing about the second note.

The defendant was sent to prison as stated above. His work-ordering the sentences to run concurrently.

Honolulu.—Much interest has been aroused in Hawaii over recent word from Washington that a dirigible air line operating on a 36-hour schedule between Hawaii and California may be a reality in 1928. Airplane landing fields are at present kept up on all the islands of the Hawaiian group and are used continually by the army and navy machines.

DENTITION.

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PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per s.s. President Jackson from Manila on February 2.—Mr. Wm. M. Baer, Dr. J. D. Castillo, Maj. and Mrs. H. C. Fitz, Mrs. P. Francisco, Miss D. Hirschberg, Miss K. Hirschberg, Mr. R. L. Masten, Mr. M. H.

O'Malley, Mr. W. D. Ramon, Mr. J. J. Rafferty, Mr. A. Ruh, Mr. H. A. Spence, Sister Mary de Sales, Mr. H. S. Seifstein, Mr. Teah Ah Fu, Mr. G. T. Trawartha, Mr. E. M. Veloso, Mr. P. C. Whitaker, Mr. and Mrs. E. Woerner, Mr. M. E. Woerner, Mrs. E. L. Wynne. Per s.s. President Taft from San Francisco and Shanghai, February 2,

—Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Anderson, Mr. J. G. Anderson, Miss M. Claves, Mr. and Mrs. Don B. Davis, Mr. W. Douglas, Mr. Erwin Diller, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Fowle, Miss Alice Fowle, Mr. Robert Fowle, Miss Janet Fowle, Mr. John Fowle, Mr. C. S. Gubbay, Miss Edith Gowing, Mrs. E. Gowing, Mr. H. L. Houghton, Mr. and Mrs. P. Leong Hingkee, Mr.

John Henry, Mr. and Mrs. A. Klienberg, Mr. M. D. Knapp, Mr. Carl Keith, Dr. T. V. Li, Mr. J. W. Mayhew, Mr. Y. T. Min, Mr. D. M. Nisim, Dr. M. B. Osmann, Mr. S. Oshira, Miss Mary Page, Mrs. Vera Robinson, Mr. P. H. Sudding, Mr. J. H. Wolwallen, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Waterman, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Young.

Per s.s. Derflinger from Europe, via ports on February 2.—Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Capell, Mr. P. Paulino, Mr. S. Ohtaka, Mr. G. J. Abella, Mr. C. Ohlson, Mr. E. Wundeth, Dr. H. Lutz, Miss A. Kocher, Miss E. Martin, Miss E. Mueller, Mr. E. Antonrieth, Miss R. Burren, Mr. E. Michel, Mr. E. Engel, Mr. A. Gram, Dr. W. Douseon, Dr. O. Ansel.

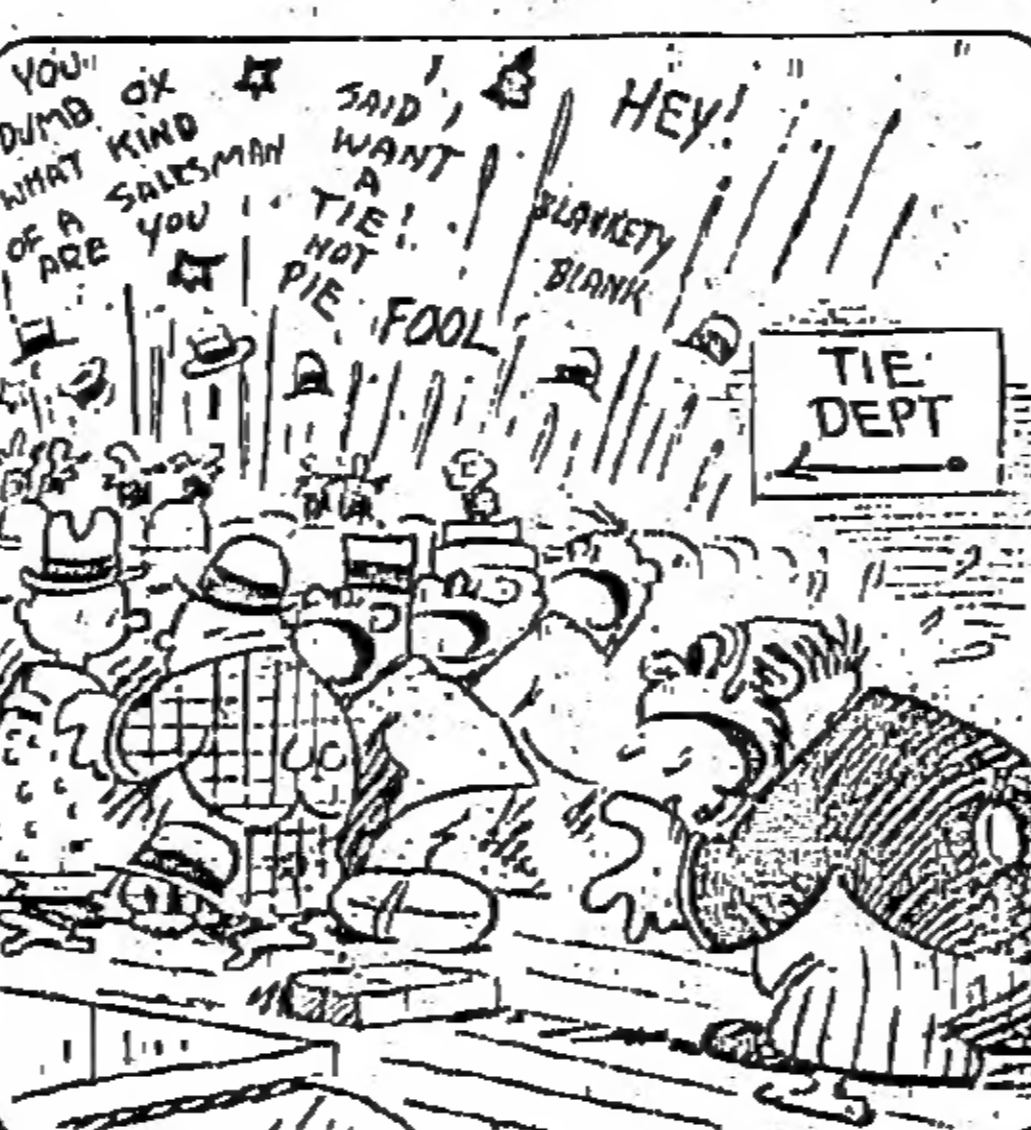
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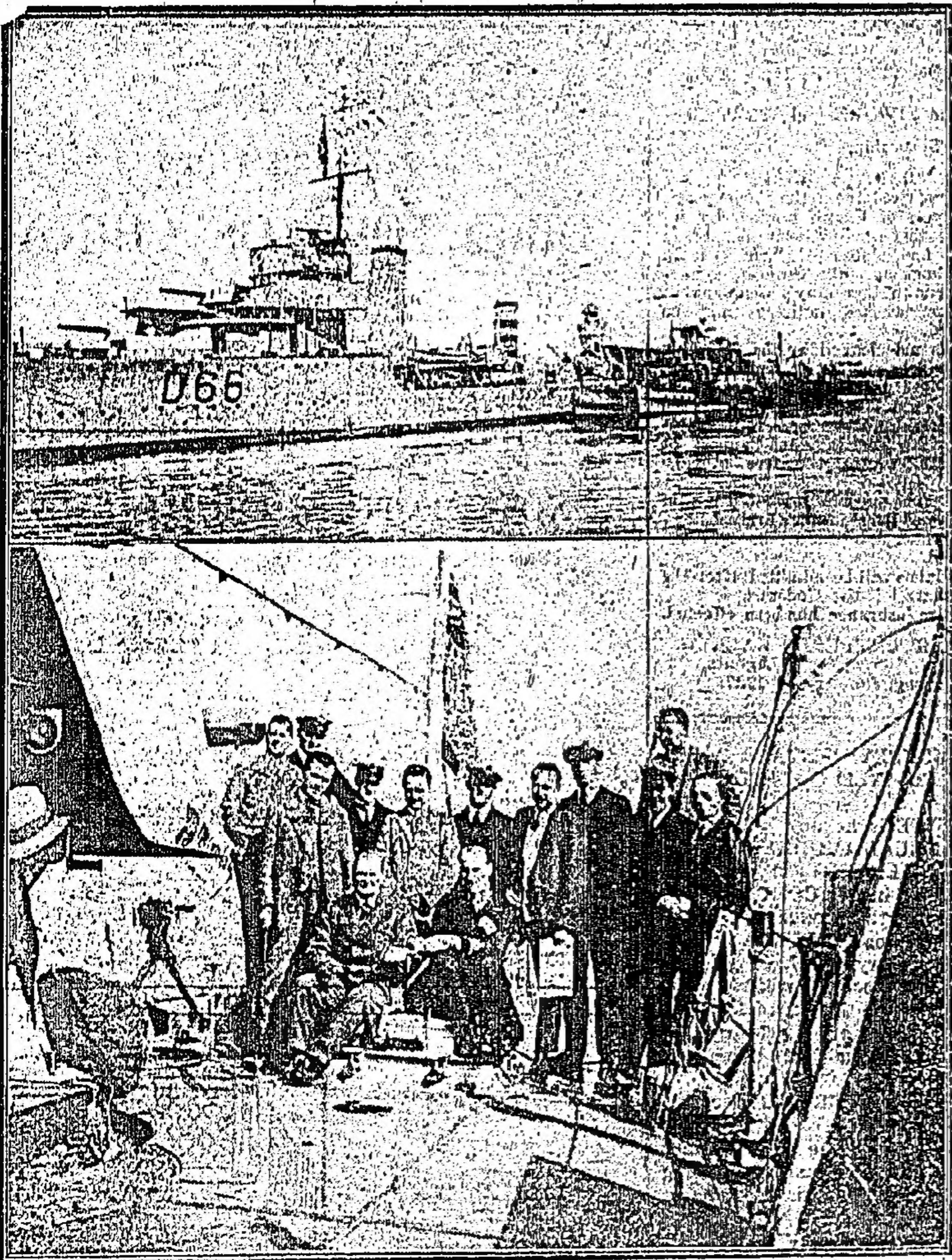
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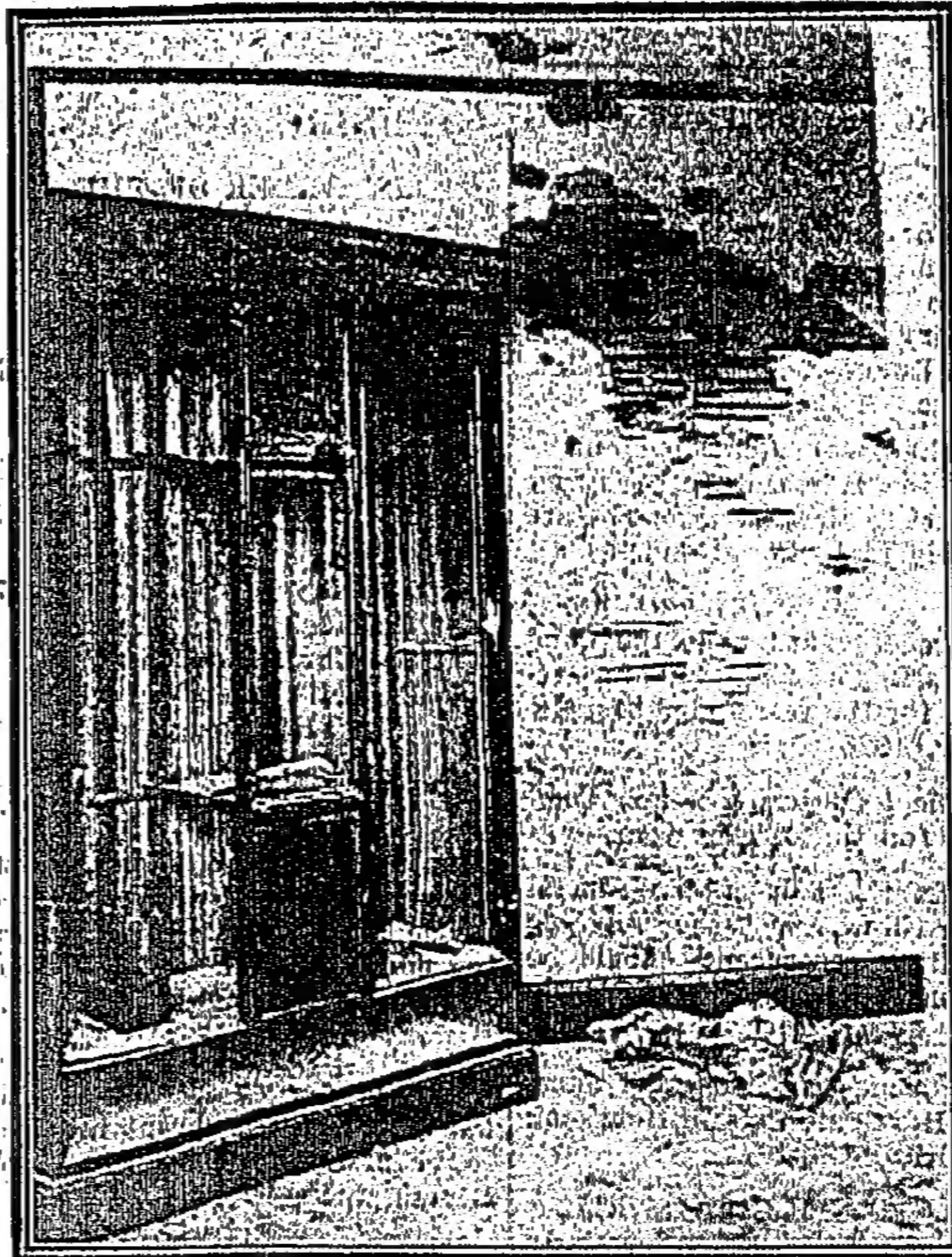
The Wrong Kind of Tie



By Swan



KIUKIANG BRITONS' REFUGE.—Top picture shows H.M.S. Wyvern lying in the Yangtze River off Kiukiang, with the launches which are being used as offices by British merchants of Kiukiang lying alongside. Below are seen a number of refugees and their hosts on Wyvern.



BOMBARDED AND LOOTED.—Here is shown part of a bedroom in the China Inland Mission house at Nanchang after the bombardment in October and the subsequent occupation by troops. Readers will notice the shellhole in the wardrobe where the mirror was. The wardrobe doors were burned by the troops.



WOOLLY MONKEY.—A specimen of Humboldt's woolly monkey which has just arrived at the London Zoological Gardens. The species is notable for its facial resemblance to an old negro and for its thick coat of woolly fur. (Times copyright.)



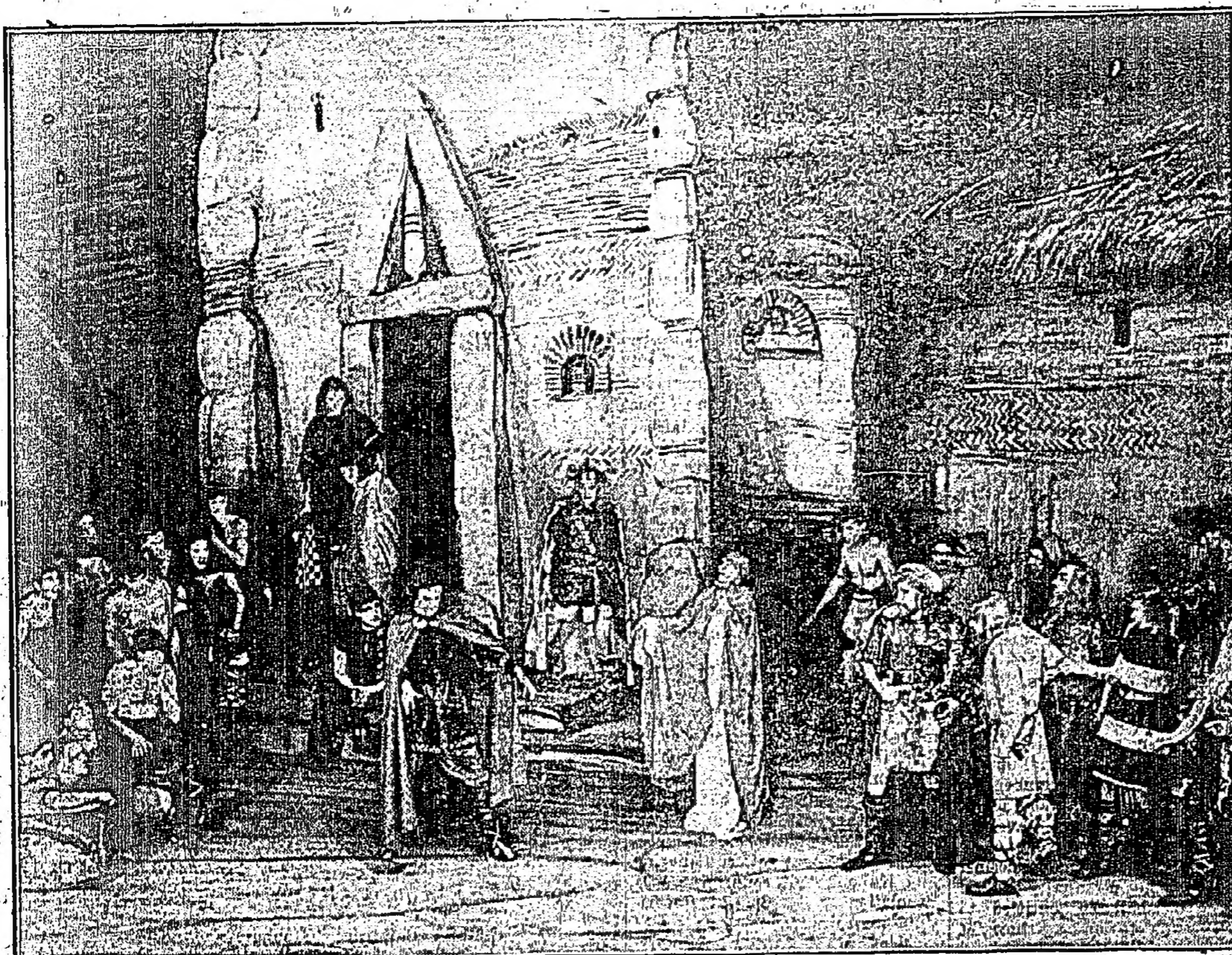
CHRISTMAS PLAY.—The Prince and Princess in a scene from the Lyceum pantomime, "The Sleeping Beauty". (Times copyright.)



INQUISITIVE.—These birds are two Glaucous-winged gulls, photographed in Alaska by Mrs. Irene Finley, photographer for the Arctic photographic expedition of America.

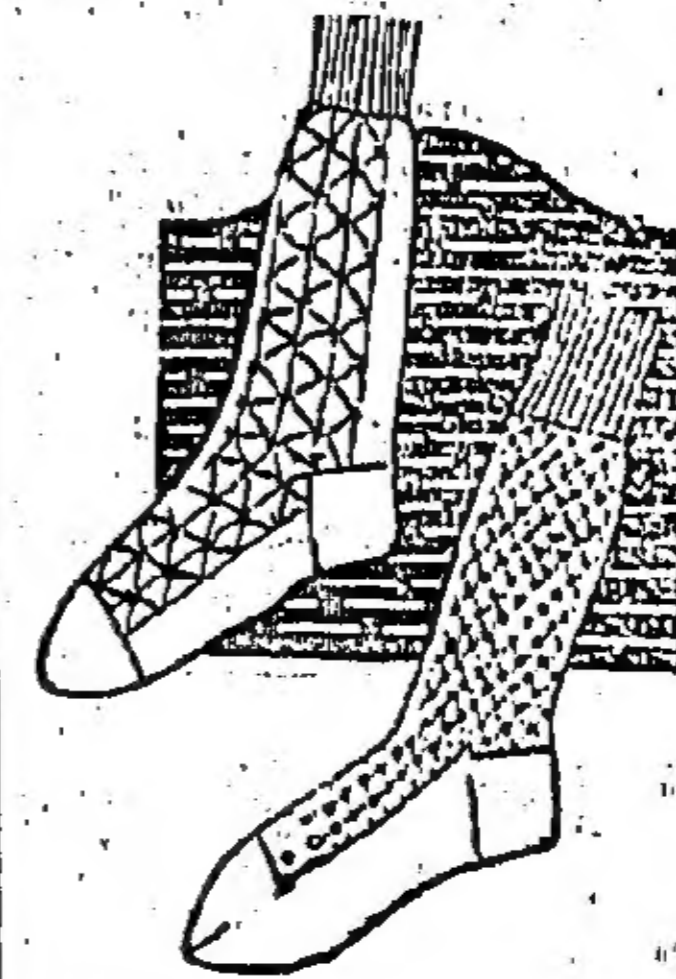


FOR ART'S SAKE.—Swiss schoolmasters seem to be very sensitive, for when Virginia Laroze, pupil in Lausanne, sketched her instructor, she was expelled. Her parents, however, brought court action and compelled her reinstatement. Virginia is shown above with the picture, which was produced in court.



NEW PRODUCTION OF MACBETH.—A scene from Miss Sybil Thorndike's production of Macbeth at the Princes Theatre. The scenery was specially designed by Mr. Charles Rickotts. A.R.A. Mr. Henry Ainley plays Macbeth and Miss Sybil Thorndike Lady Macbeth. (Times copyright.)

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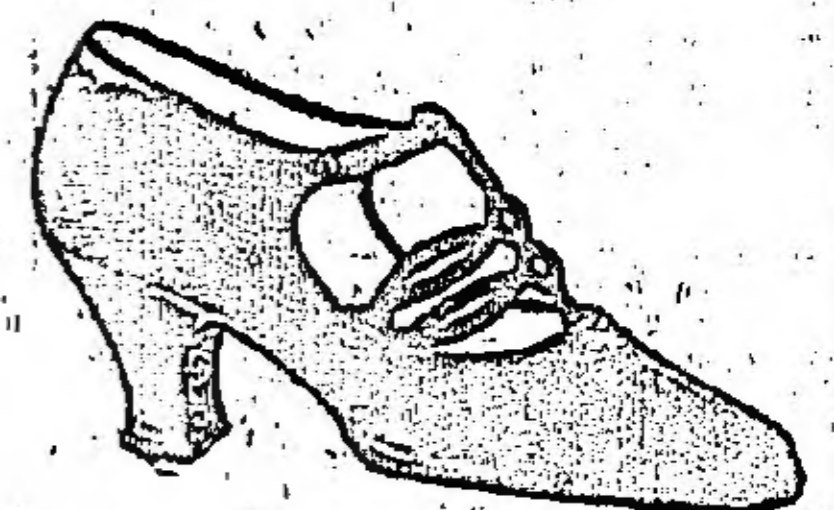
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Charles City, Ia.—"By strangers honoured and by strangers mourned" is the inscription on a tomb in the Norwegian Lutheran cemetery a mile from Estherville. The tomb bears the name of Nicholas Ipsen, younger brother of the famous playwright and poet. The younger Ipsen was a sheepherder, according to old residents who knew him. He died in 1888.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited will be held at the Registered Office of the Society, Union Building, Pedder Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, on Tuesday, the 15th day of February, 1927, at 12 o'clock noon when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed.

- (1) That in Article 65 in line 2 thereof the words "and place" be deleted and that at the end of such Article, the following words be added: "All meetings of the Society shall be held in 'Hongkong or in such other place outside the United Kingdom as the Directors may from time to time determine.'"
- (2) That in Article 89 in the first line thereof between the word "Society" and the word "shall," the following words shall be inserted: "from which the business of the Society shall be managed, conducted and controlled."
- (3) That between Articles 108, and 109, the following new Article be inserted:—
Place of Directors' Meetings.
108 (a). "All meetings of Directors shall be held 'in Hongkong or in such other place outside the United Kingdom as the Directors may from time to time determine.'"
- (4) That in Article 122 (b) in the third and fourth lines thereof the words "both in Hongkong and" be deleted and in Article 122 (d) in the fourth line thereof between the word "purposes" and the word "and," the following words be inserted: "outside the Colony of Hongkong."

Should the above mentioned Resolution be passed by the requisite majority, it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a further Extraordinary General Meeting, and such Meeting will be held on Friday, the 4th day of March, 1927, at the same time and place, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, confirming such Resolution as a Special Resolution accordingly.

Dated this 31st day of January, 1927.
By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of British Traders' Insurance Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Union Building, Pedder Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, on Tuesday, the 15th day of February, 1927, at 12.15 p.m., when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed.

- (1) That in Article 65 in line 2 thereof the words "and place" be deleted and that at the end of such Article, the following words be added: "All meetings of the Society shall be held in 'Hongkong or in such other place outside the United Kingdom as the Directors may from time to time determine.'"
- (2) That Article 80 be deleted and in lieu thereof the following Article be substituted:—
"Votes of Members."
80. "On a show of hands every member present shall have one vote, and upon a poll every member present 'in person or by proxy' shall have one vote 'for every share held by him. No member 'not personally present' shall be entitled to 'vote on a show of hands, unless such member is a corporation present by a 'proxy or a company 'present by a representative duly authorised by Section 69 of Ordinance No. 58 of 1911, in which case 'such proxy or representative may vote on 'the show of hands as 'if he were a member."

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HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The Annual General Meeting of the Members of the above Society will be held on Tuesday, 8th February, 1927, at 5.15 p.m. in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

All Ladies & Gentlemen interested in Horticulture, whether Members of the Society or not, are cordially invited to attend.

AGENDA.

To receive and pass the Committee's Report & Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1926.

To elect Officers & a new Committee for the current year.

To fix the date of the Annual Flower Show, which the Outgoing Committee recommend should be held on Thursday, 10th March, 1927.

To Discuss any matter of interest to Horticulturists in Hongkong and outlying districts.

E. B. C. HORNELL,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st Jan., 1927.

- (3) That in Article 89 in the first line thereof between the word "company" and the word "shall," the following words shall be inserted: "from which the business of the company shall be managed, conducted and controlled."
- (4) That between Articles 108 and 109, the following new Article be inserted:—
Place of Directors' Meetings.
108 (a). "All meetings of Directors shall be held 'in Hongkong or in such other place outside the United Kingdom as the Directors may from time to time determine.'"
- (5) That in Article 122 (b) in the third and fourth lines thereof the words "both in Hongkong and" be deleted and in Article 122 (d) in the fourth line thereof between the word "purposes" and the word "and," the following words be inserted: "outside the Colony of Hongkong."

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Dated this 31st day of January, 1927.
By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of The China Fire Insurance Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Union Building, Pedder Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, on Tuesday, the 15th day of February, 1927, at 12.30 p.m., when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed.

- (1) That in Article 65 in line 2 thereof the words "and place" be deleted and that at the end of such Article, the following words be added: "All meetings of the Society shall be held in 'Hongkong or in such other place outside the United Kingdom as the Directors may from time to time determine.'"
- (2) That Article 80 be deleted and in lieu thereof the following Article be substituted:—
"Votes of Members."
80. "On a show of hands every member present shall have one vote, and upon a poll every member present 'in person or by proxy' shall have one vote 'for every share held by him. No member 'not personally present' shall be entitled to 'vote on a show of hands, unless such member is a corporation present by a 'proxy or a company 'present by a representative duly authorised by Section 69 of Ordinance No. 58 of 1911, in which case 'such proxy or representative may vote on 'the show of hands as 'if he were a member."

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Dated this 31st day of January, 1927.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 30, 1927.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this COMPANY will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 12th February, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 5th February to the 14th February (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS

AND SON,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 29th Jan., 1927.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 4a, Des Voeux Road, on TUESDAY, 22nd FEBRUARY, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from WEDNESDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, to TUESDAY, 22nd FEBRUARY, 1927, both days inclusive, during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

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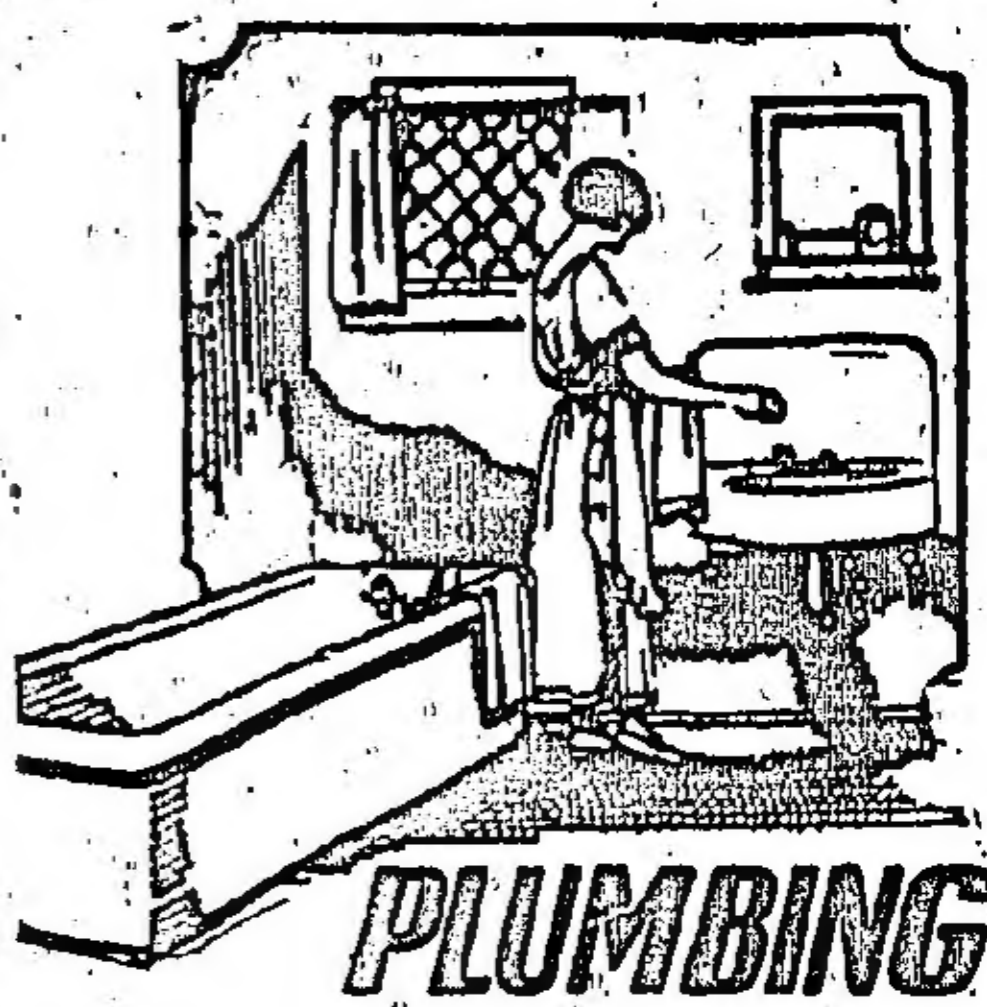
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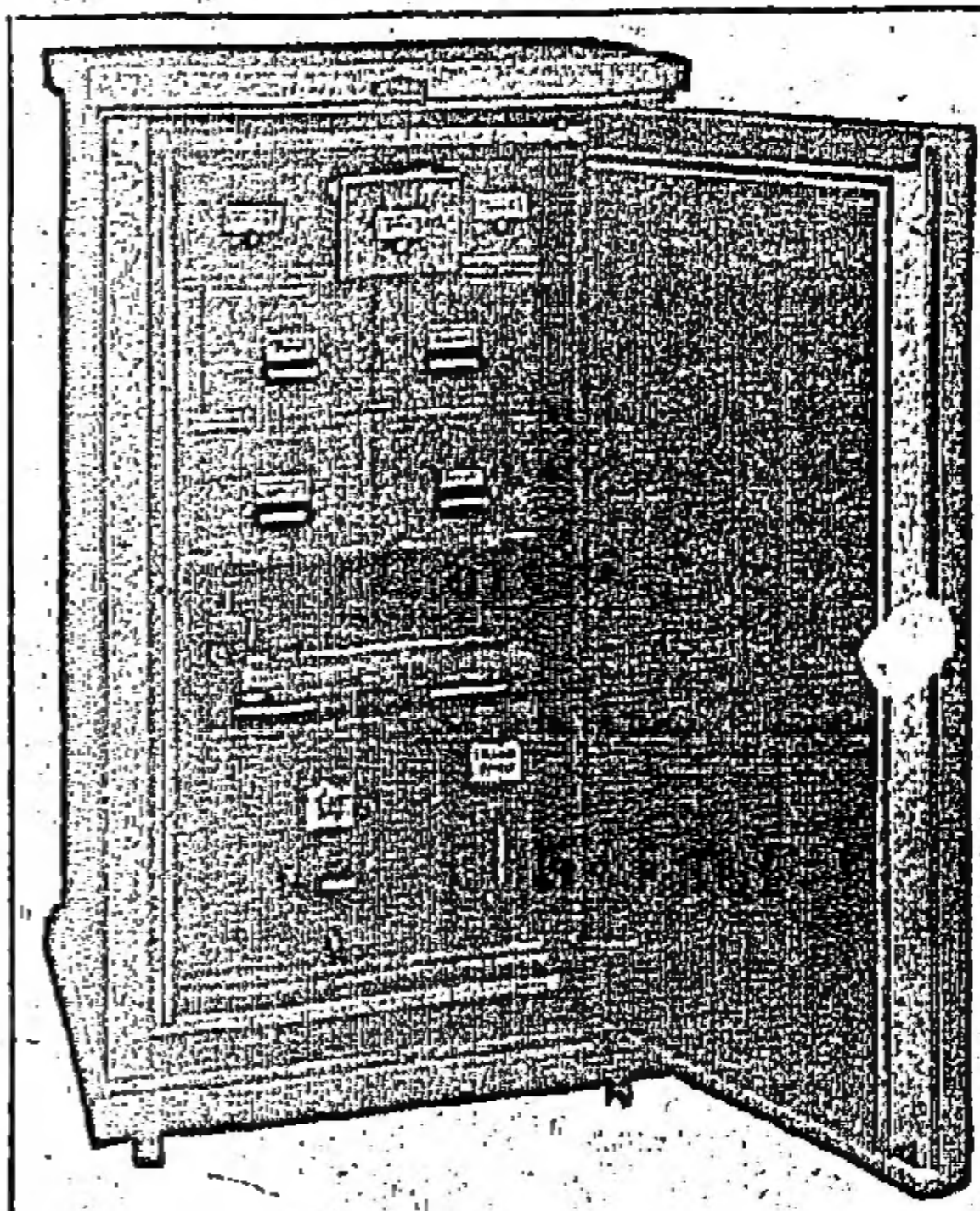
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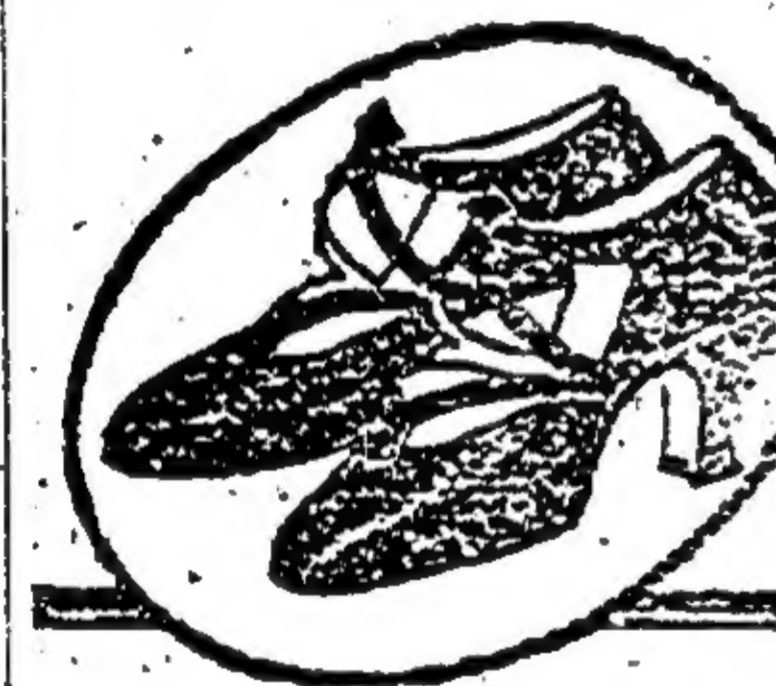
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CLUB DEFEAT SERVICES

Averaging over 50 runs per wicket, the Hongkong Cricket Club in their annual two days match against the United Services, gained an overwhelming victory by an innings and by 52 runs, the difference between the respective scores being largely due to an enterprising exhibition by Hayward, who scored a century in the Club's first innings.

On resuming yesterday, the remaining players were dismissed cheaply, Lightfoot being the only player to make a stand. He scored 26 undefeated when the last wicket fell, at 145 runs.

Following on their first innings, the Services team fared little better than in the previous innings, Lightfoot being bowled when he had only made one run. Emley and Rev. Venn made every effort to save an innings defeat but were both beaten after scoring 64 between them. The latter falling a victim to Sayer's tricky bowling with the total at 172, thus giving the Club victory by an innings and 52 runs.

The full scores were:
H.K.C.C.—1st Inn.
A. W. Hayward, c Shaw, b Wright 118
G. P. Gardner, lbw. Bridgland... 54
M. Owen Hughes, c Shaw, b Lightfoot... 36
G. R. Sayer, c Lightfoot, b Bridgland... 52
Land... 4
T. E. Pearce, c Shaw, b Bridgland 26
E. J. R. Mitchell, c Venn, b Lightfoot... 3
H. V. Parker, not out... 26
J. R. Hinton, c Venn, b Bridgland 10
E. W. Hamilton, not out... 26
Extras... 26
Total (for 7 wks. dec.)... 370

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lightfoot	26	2	112	2
Emley	11	3	39	0
Lake	13	2	35	0
Morris	9	0	52	0
Emley	1	0	1	0
Bridgland	12	0	77	4
Agnew	1	1	0	0
Wright	10	0	23	1

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lieut. Agnew, b Vallack	37	0	112	2
Lieut. Emley, c Owen Hughes, b Bowker	0	0	1	0
Capt. Bridgland, c Mitchell, b Parker	28	0	77	4
Capt. Morris, c and b Sayer	2	0	1	0
Lieut. Sturgess, b Sayer	46	0	77	4
Lieut. Wright, b Bowker	10	0	23	1
Lieut. Condie, Shaw, c Pearce, b Vallack	5	0	1	0
Lieut. Emley, b Bowker	1	0	1	0
Rev. Venn, c Hayward, b Bowker	1	0	1	0
Pte. Lake, b Bowker	10	0	23	1
Extras	10	0	23	1
Total	146	0	544	4

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bowker	16	5	44	4
Vallack	18	4	41	2
Sayer	10	1	26	0
Parker	12	3	25	1

United Services—2nd Inn.
Lightfoot, b Vallack... 26
Emley, b Pearce, b Vallack... 11
Bridgland, c Hayward, b Parker... 54
M. Owen Hughes, c and b Vallack... 36
Sayer, c and b Parker... 52
Land, c Hayward, b Parker... 4
T. E. Pearce, c and b Vallack... 26
E. J. R. Mitchell, b Hamilton... 3
H. V. Parker, c Mitchell, b Sayer... 26
J. R. Hinton, c and b Sayer... 10
E. W. Hamilton, not out... 26
Extras... 26
Total... 370

An interesting match between the Kowloon C.C. second eleven and the Royal Engineers, on the K. C. C. ground yesterday, ended in a victory for the visitors by 18 runs. Batting first the Engineers compiled 197, of which Rose made 95, and the home team replied with 179, Brace, of the first eleven, being top scorer with 79.

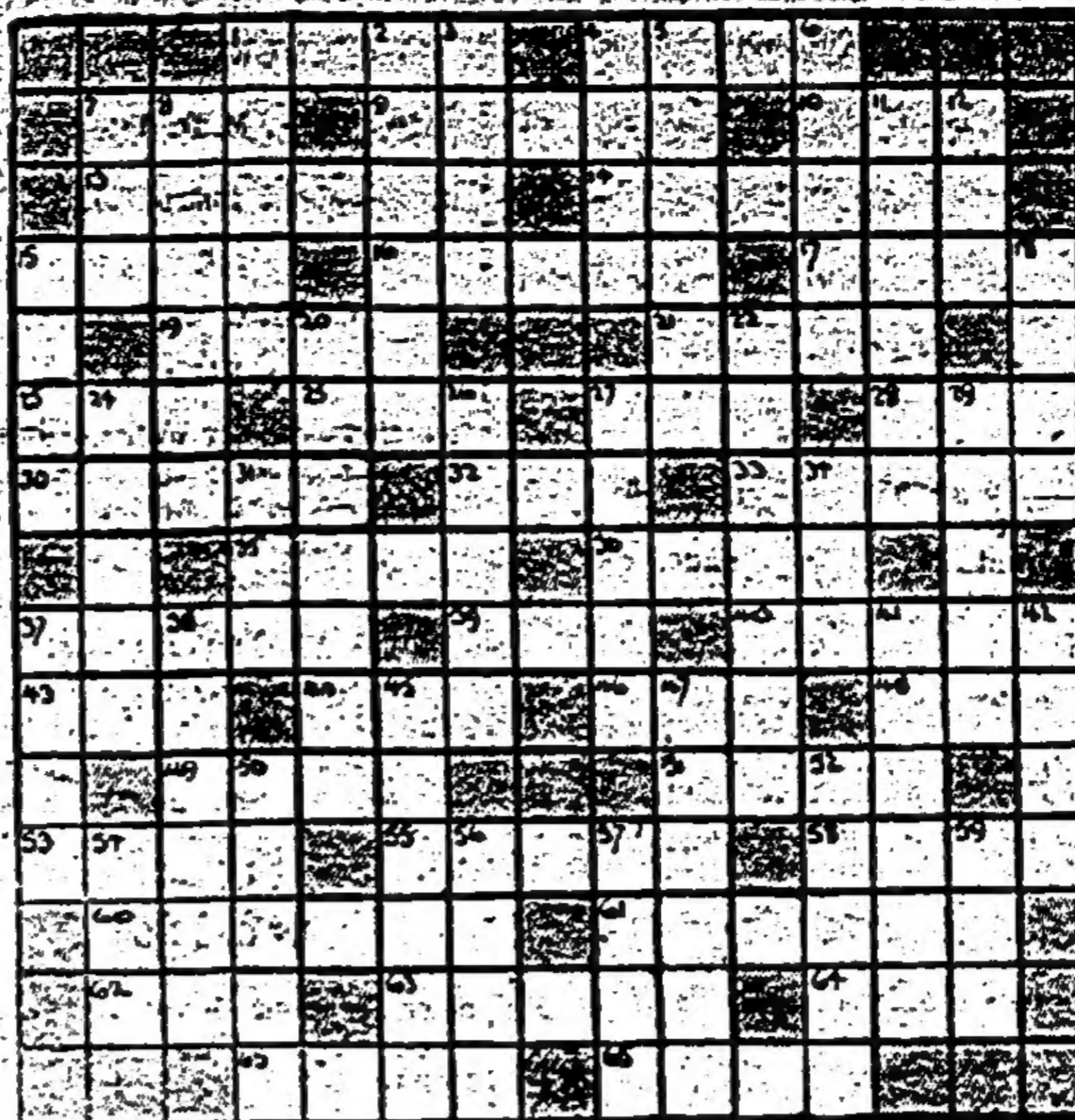
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Royal Engineers.
O. M. S. Rose, run out... 95
Sgt. Holland, c Smith, b Goodwin... 26
Capt. Brownjohn, c and b Guest... 26
L/Cpl. Goodwin, run out... 3
Major Grier, c Hamblin, b Guest... 5
Col. Mackintosh, lbw. Brace... 14
S. S. Higgs, c Evans, b Brace... 5
Q.M.S. Leppard, b Brace... 0
Sgt. Lieke, c Lindell, b Goodwin... 1
S. M. Kennard, c and b Brace... 1
Sergeant Jones, not out... 0
Extras... 16
Total... 197

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
F. Goodwin	14	1	54	2
W. Brace	15	1	53	2
W. G. Guest	8	2	35	0
N. H. Rose	16	3	29	1
C. T. Evans	3	0	10	0

Kowloon C.C. 2nd XI.
W. Brace, b Rose... 79
R. E. Lindell, c Rose, b Goodwin... 26
F. Goodwin, b Goodwin... 2
C. T. Evans, b Higgs... 3
W. Grier, b Higgs... 5
H. T. Buxton, b Rose... 11
R. F. Strange, b Jones... 16
F. Hamblin, b Goodwin... 8
A. J. V. Smith, not out... 17
E. R. Morton, b Goodwin... 0
N. H. Rose, c Mackintosh, b Higgs... 0
Extras... 29
Total... 179

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Across.

- Heavenly orb.
- Freehold.
- Age.
- Stop.
- Fool.
- In couples.
- Epic poem.
- Dark.
- Ascended.
- Satisfy.
- Small mountain lake.
- Carol.
- United.
- Consumed.
- Trouble.
- Even.
- Vamp.
- Vessel.
- Large spoon.
- Moulding.
- God of war.
- Filler.
- A woman devoted to religion.
- Try by eating.
- Crimson.
- Rodent.
- Prophet.
- Suffix denoting profession.
- Dirt.
- Units.
- Sand.
- Indian symbol.
- Let it stand.
- Reach.
- Young cat.
- Colour.
- Silence of humiliating animal.
- Virgin metal.
- Ragrets.
- Wet.

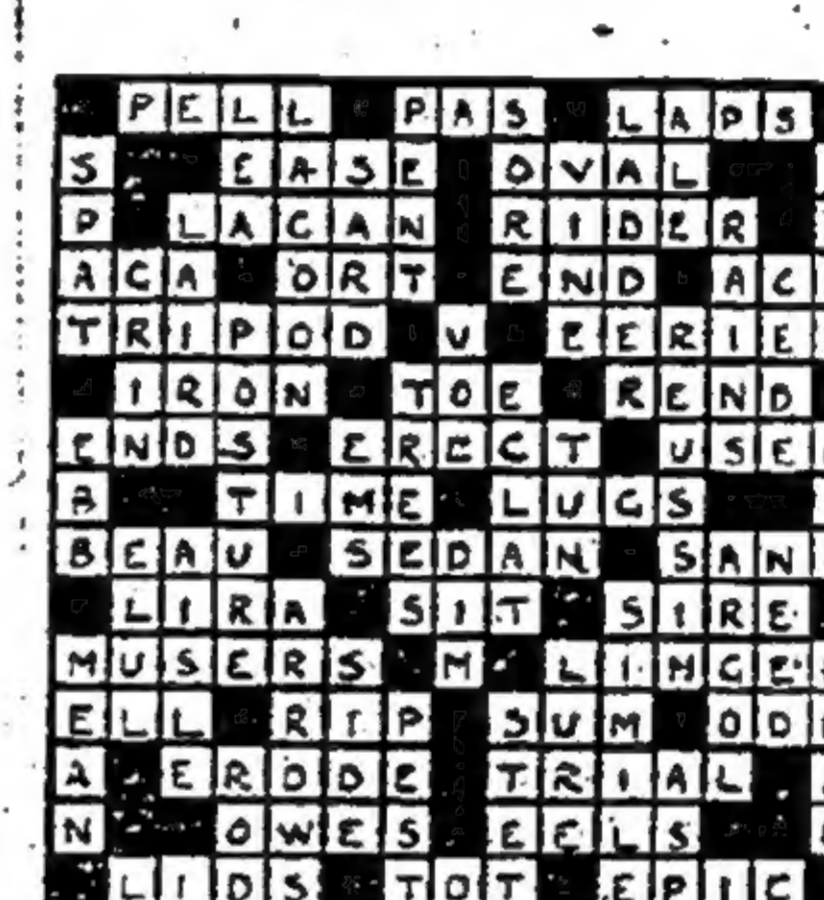
Down.

- Food from heaven.
- Eighth part of a circle.
- Never.
- Employ.
- Rely.

Falling in duty.

- Reflex.
- One who engages in a tumult.
- Classed.
- Fast.
- Cupid.
- Bald eagle.
- Rovers.
- Resembling limestone.
- Saltpetre.
- Happening.
- Exquisite.
- Exalt.
- Age.
- Personal gossip.
- Pull.
- Rarity.
- Relation.
- See.
- Robe.
- Thin plate or scale.
- Say.
- Impede by own act.
- Radical.
- Burden.
- Added.
- Point of compass.

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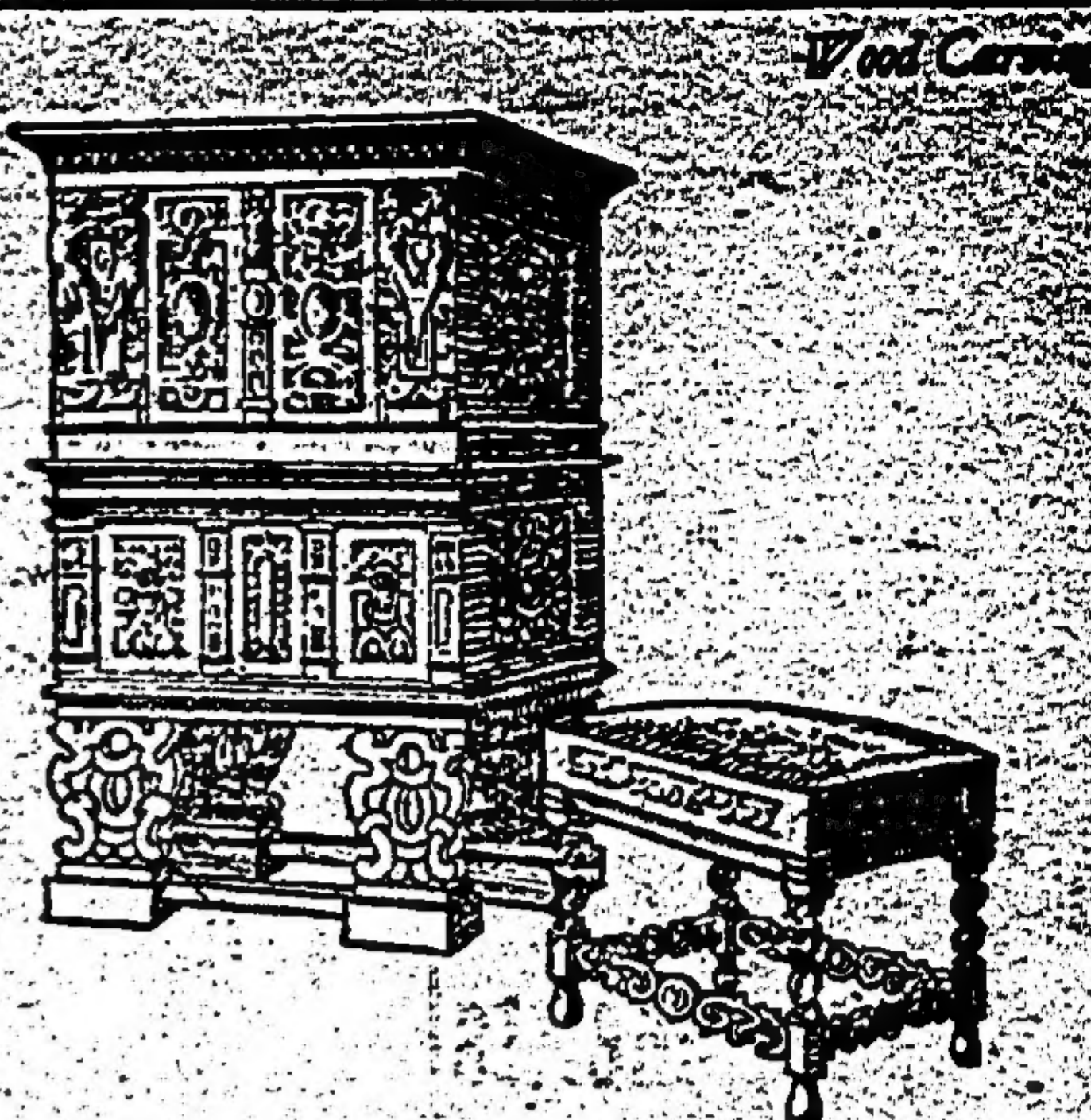
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Goodwin	10	1	53	4
Higgs	8	2	34	3
Rose	6	0	46	2
Leppard	8	4	17	1
Jones	8	1	7	1

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Inter-Club Match.

In an inter-club match at the Kowloon C.C. on China New Year's day, the Captain's (J. C. Lyle) team by 188 runs to 130. For the Captain's eleven, Hyde (88) and Rose (five wickets for 29 runs) were the most successful players, whilst for the Vice-Captain's team Ramsey made 40 and Guest took four wickets for 18 runs.



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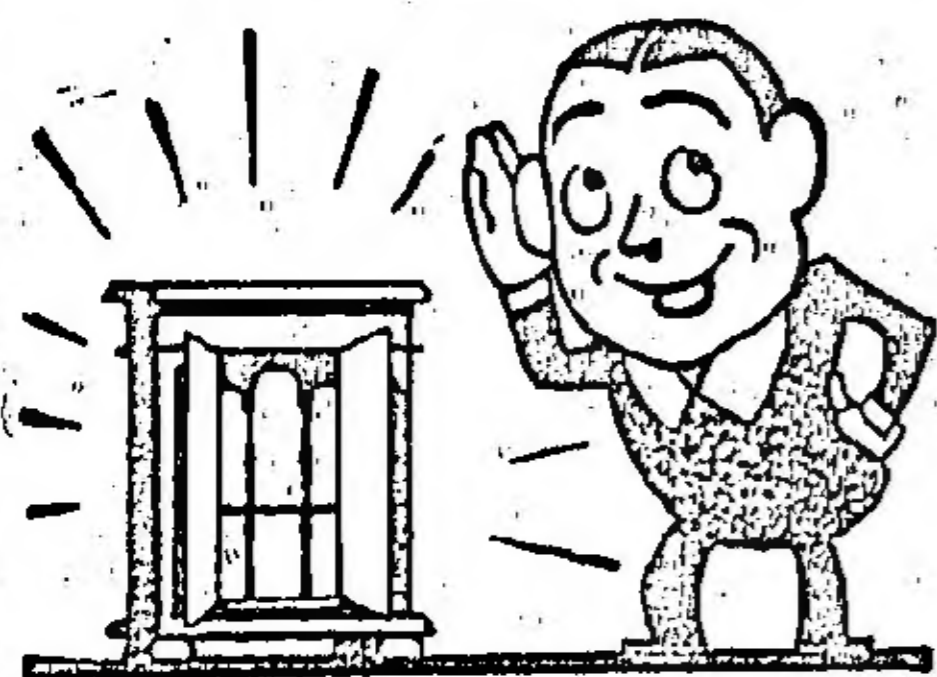
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The Hongkong Telegraph

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1927.

A FLIMSY EXCUSE.

Apart from the more serious consequences which may arise therefrom, Mr. Eugene Chen's eleven-hour refusal to sign the agreement which had been virtually reached between himself and Mr. O'Malley is likely to react most unfavourably in all quarters of the globe, on the Nationalist movement. The whole world has been closely watching the attempts which Britain has been making to adjust her differences with the Nationalists at Hankow, and the impartial observer, as he followed the developments, was likely to be impressed by evidences of straight dealing than by anything else. Unhappily for the Nationalists, Mr. Eugene Chen's latest manoeuvre will be regarded in many quarters as an act very closely resembling evasion and trickery, for knowing the facts as he did, the reasons for declining to append his signature to the document cannot be viewed as anything other than the flimsiest of excuses.

For many weeks past, Mr. Chen and Mr. O'Malley have been negotiating, during the whole of which time the Nationalist Foreign Minister has been fully aware of the fact that British troops were being sent East as a precautionary measure in case British lives and property were placed in further jeopardy. During the conversations, Mr. Chen does not appear to have once raised this point, preferring, it would seem, to allow matters to reach the final stage and then to trot out these military movements as a pretext for refusing to endorse the final understanding. No one is likely to be impressed with this piece of obvious camouflage, and it is only natural that competent observers should search around for the real reason of this sudden change of front. In one quarter, it is suggested that Mr. Chen has had difficulties with the irreconcilables; in another, it is inferred that he is not a free agent. Both conclusions will strengthen the impression that the Kuomintang's Soviet advisers are the dominating element in the Nationalist camp. Mr. Chen says it is significant that neither Japan nor the United States are concentrating armed forces in Shanghai. But that argument is easily countered. So

far as Japan is concerned, there is no immediate necessity to move troops, owing to her close proximity to China, whilst in the case of the United States Mr. Chen cannot be ignorant of the fact that marines are being massed at Guam and in the Philippines for the express purpose of being as near at hand as possible in case emergencies arise. Britain being ten thousand miles away, it is, as Baron Shidehara rightly says, only a natural precaution that she should take time by the forelock. Mr. Eugene Chen knows as well as anybody that there is nothing either coercive or provocative in the movement of these British forces. They are being sent East for expressly the same purpose that the United States is despatching marines to Guam and Manila, and for the same reason that the American military authorities are calling for ex-service men to volunteer to go to Tientsin—namely, to be at hand should untoward events occur.

As a result of this latest development, the outside world will be able to judge the difficulties which Britain has had to face in attempting to reach a settlement with the Nationalists. By the liberality of our offers to the Nationalists, we have shown that we would like to regard their leaders as people in whom we could put our trust. The sudden turn now taken by Mr. Eugene Chen, however, is almost sufficient to warrant doubt on that point. No negotiations, especially when based on give-and-take, as these are, can hope to come to fruition unless there is faith in assurances given. Britain has again and again made it clear that the sending of troops to the East is purely a precautionary measure. Mr. Eugene Chen believes, or says he does, that intimidation is the object. In the face of such wilful blindness to the facts we can scarcely be blamed if we begin to have doubts as to the utility of further conferences with the Nationalists.

Slandering the Dead.

Of late years there has been a marked growth in the tendency of "memoir" writers to glory in "exposing" the weaker side of the leaders of our national life, and, in the sensational libel action just concluded at Home in which a descendant of the great Gladstone has been at law with a Captain Peter Wright, we see yet another instance of this tendency. Apart altogether from the issue of libel before the Court at Home and whether the present Lord Gladstone was justified in calling Captain Peter Wright a "liar, coward and a fool," we think there will be very few people who will not agree that this habit of slandering dead politicians and raking over the frailties of their private lives is a thoroughly bad one, worthy of sternest condemnation. There have been quite a number of books published lately, including the notorious "fake" which the Daily Mail exposed only a few weeks ago, in which the belting interest has centred mainly around scandal and ill-natured gossip, and it is high time that the great publishing houses at Home set themselves against the publication of this kind of stuff. We think that publishers in this matter are mostly to blame, for they have helped to create the "demand" for this class of so-called literature. The great public men of Britain still live in a pretty strict world, where moral values are not forgotten and where there is as high a standard as pertains in the comparable class of any other country. And after strenuous lives of public work it is not just that their memory should be tainted by slanderous assertions that the makers thereof would never dare to make whilst their victims were alive. It might not legally be possible to libel a dead man, but it is fair from honourable to slander his memory.

Kowloon Fire Brigade was called out to Reclamation Street at 7 a.m. yesterday to a small blaze in a second-floor back room used as a dwelling. Appliances were not used the fire being subdued by bucket. Central Brigade were called to the Dairy Farm premises yesterday afternoon but was not required, the alarm having been given on the fusing of an electric wire.

DAY BY DAY.

ALL GREAT MEN—ARE IN SOME DEGREE INSPIRED.—Tully.

There have been no cases of notifiable disease reported in the Colony for the past three days.

Reports were current in town to-day that the river steamer Sai On was detained in Canton in connection with some trouble with the crew.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Bunje, Mrs. H. G. Earle, Miss D. Stone and Miss N. Stone are due here on the Haruna Maru, which left London on January 1st.

At the Masonic Hall last night, Rt. Wor. Bro. J. Owen Hughes was installed as District Grand Master of the District, Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South China.

Amongst the passengers who arrived by the s.s. Patroclus yesterday were Bishop and Mrs. Welch, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Priestley and Mr. and Mrs. Ho Ki.

A Chinese woman was injured through jumping from a moving tram-car at Des Voeux Road Central yesterday. She was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

The name of Mr. Robert Henry Clive, C.M.G., appeared in the New Year Honours List for a K.C.M.G. He formerly served at Tokyo and Peking, and is now British Minister at Teheran.

The following promotion appears in the half-yearly list published by the Admiralty on Dec. 31:—Lieutenant-Commander (E.) to Commander E. J. H. H. Villers Sankey, Tamar, for Hongkong Yard.

Leading Seaman Chisholm of H.M.S. Ingham reported to the Police last night that he lost a wallet containing about \$15, somewhere between the Post Office and the Soldiers' Home, Wanchai.

The new Squadron Medical Officer on the North America and West Indies Station is Surgeon-Commander H. E. R. Stephens, O.B.E., who served aloft in the Alacrity, dispatch vessel in China.

In connection with a recent affair at Yauwai, in which thieves broke into two factories at Waterloo Road and removed a number of spindles and machine parts, the police have arrested a Chinese, and recovered \$200 worth of the stolen property.

As from Jan. 4, Lieut. F. G. Hughes has been appointed navigator of the sloop Snappdragon, target-towing sloop in the Atlantic Fleet. Lieut. Hughes was the navigating officer of the sloop Valerian when she foundered in the tremendous hurricane off Bermuda on Oct. 22, and had formerly served at Hongkong.

Darting across the roadway in Main Street, a little Chinese boy got into the way of an approaching car, yesterday, and was knocked down, one of the rear wheels passing over his legs. Police whistles were sounded, and the police arrived on the scene, to take the driver into custody and the injured boy to the Government Civil Hospital.

The Chinese motor car driver, who is charged with manslaughter as the result of a traffic accident, again appeared before Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistrate's court this morning. Mr. C. A. S. Bliss, who is defending, asked for a remand until Wednesday, which was granted, the time being fixed for 2.30 p.m. The defendant was driving a car at West Point when the vehicle knocked down a cargo coolie, killing him instantly.

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, Feb. 3.

Paris	123.25
Brussels	34.83
Amsterdam	12.13 1/2
Berlin	20.48
Copenhagen	18.15
Frankfurt	18.33
Oslo	18.86
Lisbon	217/82
Rio	5.27/32
Bombay	1/5.63/64
Hongkong	2/1.5/16
New York	4.86 1/32
Genoa	26.23
Milan	11.13 1/2
Stockholm	13.13
Vienna	34.37 1/2
Helsingfors	19.24
Madrid	29.94
Athens	33.74
Buenos Aires	40.13
Shanghai	2.75 1/2
Singapore	2/0.3/16
Silver (spot)	28
Silver (forward)	27 1/2

21 YEARS AGO.

EXTRACTS FROM "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended February 10th, 1906:

The rate of the dollar on demand was 2s. 0 1/2.

The annual report of the Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., showed a net profit of \$125,671. A dividend of 8 per cent. was recommended, leaving \$5,070 to be carried forward.

The death occurred from smallpox of Mr. E. A. Bonner, of the firm of Denny and Bowley.

The Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship Company's profits for the year were \$104,080, and a dividend of \$1 per share was proposed.

The marriage took place at Christ Church, Shamoan, of Mr. C. L. Paget and Miss H. T. Mend.

The Governor of Macao denied a report from the Chinese Minister in Paris that Portugal was willing to sell Macao either to Britain or France.

Prince Arthur of Connaught arrived in Hongkong on his way to Japan to invest the Emperor with the Order of the Garter. They were elaborate celebrations, the Prince being given a very warm welcome.

Mr. V. H. Deacon, senior partner in the firm of Deacon, Looker and Deacon, left the Colony after 26 years' residence.

The Green Island Cement Company reported a profit of \$437,219. A dividend of 20 per cent. and a bonus dividend of 5 per cent. were proposed, leaving \$52,219 to be carried forward.

NEW YEAR GAMBLING.

POLICE RAID AT WANCHAI.

Led by Detective-Sergeant Rozesky, a party of police visited a watchmaker's shop at Wanchai, yesterday, their unexpected entry interrupting a game of pai-kau that was in progress, and causing a stampede. Seventeen Chinese were taken into custody, of whom only five appeared in Court when the case was heard this morning at the Central Magistrate's.

Sergeant Rozesky stated that the game was played in the rear of the premises, and in addition to the men who played dominoes, there were also four others who made up a mah-jongg party in front part of the establishment. These latter, however, were not arrested.

One of the defendants present in Court pleaded that he was only a visitor—paying a New Year complimentary call on the proprietor of the shop. It was just bad luck which brought about his being in the place at the very moment when it was raided by the police. At the time, he was watching the mah-jongg game.

"But you were found in the rear of the shop," Mr. Lindsell pointed out.

Defendant—I went in to get a cup of tea.

The Magistrate—Oh, I see—but that won't wash.

This man was fined \$3, as also were three other defendants. The fifth man was discharged.

Of the twelve absent defendants, two forfeited bail of \$75 each, and the others bail of \$5 each.

Y. M. C. A. ELECTION.

TOWN COUNCIL CAMPAIGN.

An election is shortly to take place in connection with the Mudford-on-Sea Town Council which has been formed by the Y.M.C.A. in Kowloon. At present, the Progressives have a majority on the Council, the membership being: Progressives, 5; Moderates, 2; and Socialists, 2.

There are, however, three vacancies, and for these no fewer than six candidates have come forward. They are: Progressives, Messrs. Sewell and McArthur; Moderates, Messrs. Keates and Walker; Socialists, Messrs. Long and Mann. The election takes place on the 12th instant, and commencing on Monday next, there will be a week's campaign, during which the candidates and their supporters will address various gatherings.

The Very Idea!

The argument had been all on Mrs. Brown's side throughout the evening, and poor Brown was distinctly fed-up.

"You seem to think that a cold in the head means nothing to a woman," stormed his wife. "I don't know of anything more annoying!"

Her husband peered over the newspaper he had been endeavouring to read.

"No?" he countered, with a rare flash of spirit. "How about lock-jaw?"

My cutie's got a sweetie, My sweetie's got a cutie, Her cutie is a beauty, But his sweetie's rather meany.

Guess I have to do my duty, Like Napoleon or Bonty, So I'll go and see her cutie, While he goes and sees my sweetie.

Master George Lascelles, Princess Mary's eldest son, has been "blooded" by Short's huntsman to the Bramham Moor Foxhounds, the master of which is Viscount Lascelles.

Master Lascelles is not yet four years of age. He was born on February 7, 1923.

Short, who is to retire at the end of the present season, claims to have had almost every bone in his body broken, but is emphatic in the opinion that hunting is the best sport in the world.

A schoolboy's version of the Parable of the Sower:—

"The good seed are the good people who get married and have children, some twenty-fold, some fifty-fold, and some a hundred-fold."

Woman, when another woman was bound over at Acton for assaulting her: I am staying at the house for the benefit of my health.

Solicitor, at Bow County Court: What are you doing for a living? Debtor: I have three sons working.

A football cup, 1 cwt. in weight, carved out of coal, is one of the articles fashioned by Mr. George Turton, an engine winder, of Whitwell, near Workop. Coal-carving, which calls for extraordinary care and patience, as a modelling material more brittle than coal would be hard to find, is Mr. Turton's sparetime hobby, and he has gained several championship medals for his work.

He recently completed a replica, in coal, of the headstone erected above his father's grave, the lettering and floral designs on the stone being reproduced to the minutest detail. His tools are a pocket-knife, a chisel, and a file.

"Sometimes a bit of work may be nearly finished," he said to me, "when a blow from one of my tools a little heavier than usual will ship it, which means that I have to start all over again."

Some more "howlers":—

She bade him welcome with a simile.

An example of translation from French—"I have never broken into the bar, but the thought that it was there has often given me courage."

Forten's barometer has a Vernier scale, so called because it helps to give us vernier the correct barometer reading.

A watershed is a shed in the sea in which ships can shelter during a storm.

The spine is a lot of little bones that run up and down the back. The head sits on one end, and I sit upon the other.

"That seems a nice kind little boy of yours, Mrs. Prune," said the visitor, watching a boy who was fondling a cat. "What are you going to make of him when he grows up?"

"Well, miss," said Mrs. Prune, "seeing that he's so fond of animals, we were thinking of making him a butcher."

"Would you," said the self-made man, "would you love my daughter just as much if she had no money?"

"Of course," answered the young man.

"Then you must be a half-wit. Get out!"

\$20,000 BAIL.**OPIUM POSSESSION CASE.**

After being adjourned from Monday afternoon, the case in which a Chinese is charged with possession of two hundred taels of non-Government opium, valued at \$2,400, again came before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Police Court this morning, when Mr. Leo d'Almada defended. Divisional Inspector P. Grant prosecuted.

A Chinese district watchman said on January 29th, at about a quarter past seven in the evening, the defendant was pointed out to him in Des Voeux Road, West. Witness approached the defendant and asked him what he had inside a parcel which he was carrying. The defendant replied "Nothing." Noticing that the parcel was heavy, witness took the defendant to the Police Station, and refused "Ten money" which the defendant offered to get.

When the parcel was examined, it was found to contain four tins each of which contained fifty one tael tins of opium.

In reply to Mr. d'Almada, witness denied that the defendant told him he was carrying the parcel for another man, and was in ignorance of its contents. He also denied that the defendant pointed out a man a short distance away as the person for whom he was carrying the parcel.

This closed the evidence for the prosecution, and Mr. d'Almada applied for the case to be adjourned until Thursday, in order that he might call certain witnesses.

Mr. Lindell granted the application and intimated that he would hear the defence at noon. Bail, he added, would be the same as before, \$20,000.

SILVER OUTLOOK.**MESSRS. MONTAGU'S REPORT.**

Reporting on the silver market on January 5th, Messrs. S. Montagu and Company state:

Delivery in time for the January Bombay settlement has been extended to consignments by this week's steamer, and prices have therefore been sustained by purchases for shipment, though, in most cases, limits were given and were from day to day reduced.

Quotations consequently were disposed to ease, the movement being assisted by weakening China exchanges, accompanied by offerings of silver from that quarter. Uneasiness on account of affairs at Hankow appears to act as a bear factor.

America has been disposed to sell, but the Continent has been, as usual of late, inactive. Though the appearance of the market is dull, the movement downward appears to be sluggish.

LADIES' NIGHT.**ENJOYABLE Y.M. FUNCTION.**

There was another most enjoyable Ladies' Night at the Y.M.C.A. in Kowloon last evening, when there was a large gathering at a dinner, the lady guests numbering over seventy.

After dinner, an excellent entertainment took place in the Lounge. Much-appreciated songs were rendered by Mr. E. E. Hopkins and Mrs. W. Robson, both being in fine voice, whilst Mr. R. Sutherland was extremely good in Scottish stories, songs at the piano and in a very clever ventriloquism turn. Violin solos by Mr. D. J. Hill were admirably rendered.

Other features of the programme were "A Village Entertainment," in which Mr. John Anderson was the presiding officer, and a general knowledge competition arranged by Mr. J. Hunt, the Y.M.C.A. Secretary.

FLYING HOME.**AIR MINISTER'S RETURN TRIP.**

London, Feb. 3. Sir Samuel Hoare, the Secretary for Air, and Lady Maud Hoare, are now flying home from India. They left Karachi this morning and were to reach Jask this evening.—British Wireless.

Having always expressed the wish that death would not divide them, Mr. and Mrs. William Oliver, aged 72 and 68 respectively, of Ash Thomas, Halberton, Devonshire, died within an hour of each other.

MUSICAL JOTTINGS.

Local Music—Heffitz, Moiseiwitsch and Zimbalist Coming
"La Traviata."

[By "ALLEGRO."]

Mr. Harry Ore had an excellent audience for his pianoforte recital on Jan. 25th. The St. Andrew's Hall is not a good one for acoustics, the resonance of the piano resulting in a blurring of rapid passages through no fault of the player. For this reason alone, the *Telegraph* made a fair comment in remarking that Mr. Ore seemed to be galloping through at unnecessary speed, much of the rapid and delicate finger-work being lost upon the audience. Apart from this drawback, there were one or two solos which, in any case, we should have preferred taken at a more leisurely pace, particularly the Mozart Turkish March which sounded more like a rout at Gallipoli.

A contemporary, in its account of the recital, said:—"Mr. Li Chor Chi, a Chinese baritone, who made a decided impression, on this, his debut as a public vocalist." Mr. Li Chor-chi has, of course, often been heard in local concerts and is noted for his clear articulation in French songs, which are his speciality and pleasing to listen to.

The trio which plays daily in Lane Crawford's restaurant has been much improved by the replacing of the original violinist, and it is quite enjoyable to listen to the present players. It is such a change to hear music of a non-jazz variety while taking one's meals, and as the repertoire has been increased and the playing is of a good standard, this innovation is resulting in the Cafe becoming the most popular meeting—and eating—place in town, both in the afternoons and evenings. The management, deserve our appreciation and encouragement for their continued efforts to improve the standard of performance and the quality of music supplied to the public.

There was a report in the *Daily Press* of the Helena May Musicale on Jan. 20th in which it was stated that Mrs. F. C. Hall provided an interesting sketch, Eng. Lt. Comdr. Bedella was heard to advantage in a selected contribution and in the "Pagliacci" prologue, and Mr. R. A. Green gave a selected number. The favourable comments were somewhat discounted by the fact that Mrs. Hall had given, not a sketch, but three recitations and a song at the piano. Eng. Lt. Comdr. Bedella had omitted the selected contribution and Mr. R. A. Green did not turn up at the concert at all!

Whether Alex. Moguilewsky, the violinist, will come here or not is ill uncertain, but a little more information is available regarding Heffitz and Moiseiwitsch, who, it was reported, would visit Hongkong this year. According to present arrangements, Heffitz will be here about March 23rd, and Benno Moiseiwitsch, who has now added to his long-standing reputation in Great Britain, by triumphal tours in America, Europe and Australia, will commence his Eastern tour in Japan next July. Zimbalist, the violinist who visited us and made such a good impression in 1924, is also under agreement to make another Far Eastern tour. It would be gratifying if a vocalist of equal fame were on the list of visitors, but it is not for us to do any grumbling for we are exceedingly lucky to have the opportunity of hearing even one first-class artist a year, in this far off corner of the globe.

Benno Moiseiwitsch is, at the age of 36, one of the leading pianists of the day. To Londoners he is especially well-known, being a favourite soloist at Symphony and Prom. concerts at Queen's Hall and having given many well filled recitals there during the past 15 years. He created quite a sensation when he visited America after the War. Accustomed as they are in the States to performers claiming to be prodigies, among them being a fair percentage of first-class artists, the fact that Moiseiwitsch was the surprise of the season there speaks for itself. He is always bringing forward new compositions, usually by some unknown composer, and it is interesting to note that he has been playing those three Chinese pieces by Abram Chasins to which attention has been drawn in these columns.

When we first heard him in June 1914, he was unconventional and sensible enough to appear at

JAPAN'S BANK INTEREST.**A LOWER RATE ON DEPOSITS.**

Tokyo, Feb. 3. The general Banks of Tokyo and Yokohama have decided to lower deposit interest by half-a-per cent from February 9th. The Bank of Japan is expected to take similar action.—Reuter.

the Bechstein Hall in a loose-fitting robe like a dressing gown, tied by a cord, and open at the neck, a most sane conception of a really comfortable attire for a pianist, collars and cuffs being a positive curse—as out of place at a recital as at a cricket match.

The Italian Opera Co. made only a five-days' stay here on their return trip; some of their number seemed to have stayed behind in Shanghai. What happened to their orchestra on this occasion? With a pianist who dragged behind the singers and a violinist who in turn waited for her, supplemented by two other instrumentalists, the soloists and chorus had rather a harrowing experience on the stage. In "La Traviata" they had to carry on a great part of the time without any accompaniment from the orchestra and one was left to assume that they had suddenly lost their regular pianist and that the substitute was unable to read off the score. A few bars on the piano, then silence; the curtain rises, a few more bars, an unaccompanied solo—well, there must be some very valid excuse for it, and seeing that sympathy with the performers was more powerful than any other emotion experienced during the opera, this is an occasion for congratulations rather than criticism.

As a further illustration of the little simple things being so badly done in opera, of which various examples were given in the October 28th Jottings, one might cite the reveal scene of "La Traviata." What was described in the programme as "a beautiful reveal" was represented by a table with two champagne bottles on it, some glasses and an opened pumelo! It may be difficult to lay hold of enough goodies to depict a banquet, but if nothing better than a half-eaten pumelo can be found, surely it is wiser not to incur an audience's laughter and leave them to imagine that the table has been cleared of eatables!

Owing to the departure of "Allegro" on home leave there will be no Musical Jottings for a few months, but it is hoped that they will be resumed about December next, when they will possibly contain new features and regular reviews of new music.

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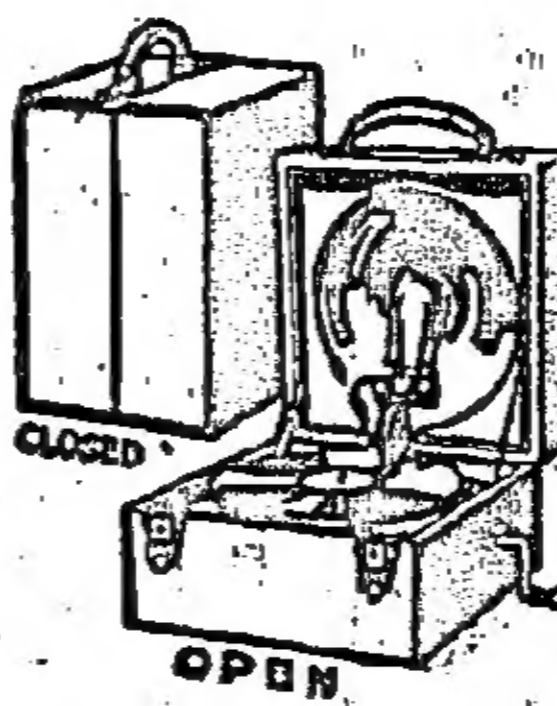
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LATEST CORPS ORDERS.

Volunteer Defence Corps Orders issued by Lieut-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., state:

The General Officer Commanding wishes those who attended the Remo March on Monday, 31st January, to be informed that he was very pleased with their appearance and turn out.

FIELD DAY.

A Field Day will be held in the neighbourhood of Fanling on Sunday, 13th February. Full details will be published later. This will count as one day in camp for those who have been unable to complete the requisite four days.

ANNUAL INSPECTION.

The General Officer Commanding, South China Command will inspect the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps on Tuesday, 22nd February, on Murray Parade Ground, at 6 p.m. Every member of the Corps (Reserve Company included) is required to attend. Further details will be issued later. Members are reminded that attendance at the above inspection is one of the qualifications for efficiency.

ARTILLERY COMPANY.

City and Taikoo Sections will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 8th February. Lecture will be given by Lieut. G. H. Sloane-Stanley, R.A. Transport for Taikoo Section will be at Taikoo Dock, East Gate, at 4.45 p.m. on Tuesday, 8th February.

ENGINEER COMPANY.

Field, Signal and Light Sections will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 7th February. Subject: Squad Drill with arms. Dress: Full.

INFANTRY COMPANY.

On Tuesday, 8th February, at 5.30 p.m.—No. 1 Platoon at Volunteer Headquarters. Lewis Gun Elementary Handling under 1/Lieut. S. J. M. C. No. 2 Platoon Lewis Gun firing at Kennedy Road Range under Lieut. E. J. R. Mitchell, and Arms Drill for those detailed, under Sergt. V. C. Branson, M.C. Nos. 3 and 4 Platoons at Miniature Range under 2/Lieut. R. E. Davies, M.C. M.M. Signalling Class as usual.

On Tuesday, 15th February, at 5.30 p.m.—No. 1 Platoon at Kennedy Road Range Lewis Gun firing under 2/Lieut. H. Owen-Hughes, No. 2 Platoon at Volunteer Headquarters Lewis Gun Elementary Handling under Lieut. E. J. R. Mitchell, and Arms Drill for those detailed, under Sergt. V. C. Branson, M.C. Nos. 3 and 4 Platoons. Musketry under 2/Lieut. R. E. Davies, M.C. M.M. Signalling Class as usual.

MEDICAL SECTION.

The whole of the Medical Section, W.D., N.C.O.s and men are expected to turn up for the practice purposes for General Inspection.

STRENGTH.

The following recruits are taken on the strength and posted as under—
No. 1111 Pte. C. E. M. Terry, No. 2 Platoon.
No. 1112 Pte. J. L. Alves, No. 4 Platoon.
No. 1113 Pte. L. Baptis, No. 4 Platoon.
No. 1114 Pte. F. J. Easterbrook, No. 1 Platoon.
No. 1115 Pte. R. G. Witchell, A. Car Company.
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No. 1117 Pte. D. L. McLean, No. 5 Platoon.
No. 1118 Pte. N. Drummond, No. 7 Platoon.
No. 1119 Spr. A. J. Cole, Engineer Coy.

PROMOTION.

No. 423 Sergt. G. T. Padgett, Engineer Company is promoted to Staff Sergeant, as from January 27, 1927.

REVERSION.

No. 290 Corporal W. Hyde, No. 6 Platoon is permitted to revert to the ranks at his own request, as from January 18, 1927.

LEAVE.

The following are granted leave of absence from the Corps—Pte. J. McKelvie, No. 6 Platoon from Feb. 1st, 1927 to Jan. 31st, 1928; Pte. W. M. Cox, No. 1 Platoon from Feb. 1st, 1927, to Jan. 31st, 1928.

RESIGNATION.

No. 298 Pte. J. Adam, No. 6 Platoon, is permitted to resign from the Corps, as from January 22, 1927 having completed five years and ten months' service in the Corps.

MARKSMEN.

The undermentioned have qualified as Marksmen and are entitled to wear the badge for one year—No. 608 Pte. G. R. Vallack, A. Car Coy., 96 points; No. 59 Pte. W. J. Woolley, A. Car Coy., 92 points; No. 461 Spr. H. F. Westlake, Eng. Coy., 99 points.

Mrs. Baldwin Raper, formerly the wife of Mr. Baldwin Raper, ex-M.P. for East Devon, was married at St. Marylebone Register Office recently to Colonel James Monroe Love jun., of the United States Army.

Thought by some authorities to be the most valuable in the world, his collection of the early editions of Euclid's "Elements" has been presented by Mr. Charles Thomas Stanford, of Preston Manor, Brighton, to the National Library of Wales.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

NOTICE.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given by notices otherwise stated, and when parcels are advertised to close at or before 3 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 2 a.m. on the previous day.

RADIO TELEGRAMS may now be accepted for Hongkong under the same conditions and at the same rates as for Canton.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Shanghai	Morea	February 4.
Straits	Nelore	February 4.
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers London 6th Jan. and Parcel 20th Dec. 1926).	Manila	February 4.
Australia and Manila	1st	February 7.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pers. McKinley	February 7.
Shanghai	Sarpedon	February 8.

OUTWARD MAILS.

To	Per	Date
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Parcels	4th, 5 p.m.
	Morea	Sat. Feb. 5.
	Letters	9.45 a.m. 10.50 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles 4th March)	
Saigon	Ninhui	Sat. Feb. 5 10 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Harbin	Sat. Feb. 5, Noon.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Sat. Feb. 5, 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Anhui	Sat. Feb. 5, 5 p.m.

Formosa, Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A. C. & E. America, Canada and "Europe via San Francisco due San Francisco March 4th and Europe via Siberia (letters and post cards specially superscribed "via Siberia" only.)

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kato Maru	Sun. Feb. 6, 8.20 a.m.
Saigon	Leikun	Sun. Feb. 6, 9 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Sokko Maru	Sun. Feb. 6, 9 a.m.
	Fooksang	Mon. Feb. 7.
	Registration	noon.
	Letters	1 p.m.
Amoy	Shantung	Mon. Feb. 7, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Tues. Feb. 8, Noon.
Manila	Pers. McKinley	Tues. Feb. 8, 3.20 p.m.
Swatow	Kwangang	Tues. Feb. 8, 5 p.m.
Haihow and Haiphong	Teian	Wed. Feb. 9, 10 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Sarpedon	Wed. Feb. 9.
	Registration	9.45 a.m.
	Letters	10.50 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles 9th March.)	
Haiphong	Minggang	Thurs. Feb. 10, 8.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Kutsang	Fri. Feb. 11.
	Parcels	noon.
	Letters	1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haining	Sat. Feb. 12, noon.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Sphinx	Sat. Feb. 12.
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SOUTHERN CHINA TOO GOOD FOR VISITORS.

LI WAI-TONG'S EFFORT.

[By "Wanderer."]

The course of the fixture between Eastern China and Southern China at Sookunpoo yesterday, followed that of the real interport of Wednesday in a curiously similar way. The Shanghai Chinese had a shade the better of the play in the opening half, but were a goal in arrears at the interval.

When but a few minutes remained before the final whistle, the lead had been increased to four, but Li Wai-tong softened the blow by completing a clever solo effort with a brilliant shot which beat Pau Ka-ping all over his goal.

The Hongkong Chinese were full value for their 4-1 victory, though the visitors set such a lively pace early on that time, after time the home defence was in difficulties. The visiting forwards, with the exception of Li Wai-tong and Chen Chan-wo, were lamentably weak however, and Li was the only player who ever looked capable of scoring.

HONGKONG DANGEROUS.

On the other hand, the South China forwards were always dangerous and when Wong Pak-chong headed through from Tso Kwai-sing's centre before half-time, it was but the fruition of a clever combined movement. He had more to do in both halves than Pau.

FUNG NETS TWICE.

Shanghai made a re-arrangement after the interval, but though Chen at inside-right put a little more spirit into the visiting attack, the Hongkong half-backs Choi Ping-fan, Wong Shui-wa and Lam Yuk-ying, quickly got their measure and Pau was rarely troubled. Tso and Chan Kwong-ai gave constant trouble and it was from the latter's pass that Fung King-cheung netted the second goal with a great shot. The same player scored again in a similar way, though hard pressed, and shortly after, Sun Kam-shun, who had been striving hard for a goal, snapped up a ball from Wong, and drove hard to Ho's right for the fourth. Eastern China had some solace near the end, Li Wai-tong scoring a splendid goal.

BACKS GOOD.

Southern China were superior in all departments, though it is probable that the hard ground had its effect on the play of the visitors. Pau was more dependable than Ho, who should have saved the second goal, and had a distinct chance with the first. Ng Kam-chuen and Lai Yuk-tat tackled admirably and kicked with judgment. They were a much better pair than Wong and Lau Kau, though Wong was responsible for some clever interceptions, and Lau gave a better display than he did for Shanghai.

Leung Yuk-long was the best of the visiting half-backs though Mao and Liang were hard-working workers. Lam Yuk-ying gave a sterling display and Wong Shui-wa was always in the thick of the struggle.

LIVELY FORWARD LINE.

The two forward lines were scarcely to be compared. Southern China mixed long and short passing judiciously, and wasted no time in shooting. Sun and Chan were the more dangerous wing; Tso Kwai-sing did some clever things, but would be a better player if he refrained from playing to the gallery.

The outside-right and centre-forward on the Eastern China team were woefully weak. He could never centre the ball, and Lee did few things right. Li Wai-tong endeavoured to introduce a little combination into the line without success. Li has lost none of his wonderful ball control, but is lazier than when he left for the North.

The teams were: Southern China:—Pau Ka-ping; Ng Kam-chuen, Lai Yuk-tat; Ko Sik-wai, Wong Shui-wa and Lam Yuk-ying.

FOOTBALL FORECASTS.

TWO SHARE THE PRIZE.

There was again a large entry for our Football Forecast Competition last week, and the prize of \$25 is shared by:—

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These two competitors succeeded in sending in nine correct forecasts, and if they will call at this office we shall be pleased to hand them \$12.50 each.

Several other competitors made claims for nine correct results, but they included the Hamilton v. Celtic match, in which the latter were leading when the game had to be abandoned owing to a storm. This match cannot be counted for the purpose of a correct forecast, as it is definitely debared by Rule 10 of the Competition, which reads:—"No match contained in the coupon which, from any cause, is not played to a finish, will be counted."

POINT-TO-POINT.

FOURTH BECOMES FIRST ON HANDICAP.

The Fanling Hunt point-to-point, which was run off yesterday, resulted in a win for Mr. McCarthy on handicap, he taking first place after coming in fourth.

There was a good field and a splendid run, with Mr. Alec Potts first at the finishing point, Mr. Pym second, and Mr. Macnamara third.

LOCAL CRICKET.

The League match between the K.O.S.B. and the Craigengower Club arranged for to-morrow has been postponed, and in its place the Craigengower Club will meet the China Light and Power Co., Ltd. at 2.15 p.m. Craigengower will be represented by T. Grimes (Capt.), J. C. Fletcher, B. Mowfung, H. P. Lim, E. K. Modi, W. R. A. Way, C. Hyder, A. B. Hanson, J. W. Leonard, E. Hanson and Y. Abbas.

MARRIED V. SINGLE.

The following will represent the Married against the Single, on the Club ground, at 2.00 p.m. to-morrow, the 5th.—T. E. Pearce (Capt.), A. W. Hayward, (Capt. Morris, Capt. Evers, Capt. Bridgland, C. F. Gardner, E. J. R. Mitchell, J. Hall, R. A. Green, W. B. Cornaby, and P. Sutton.

The following will represent the Civil Service on their own ground at 2 p.m. to-morrow:—B. D. Evans (Capt.), G. R. Sayer, A. E. Wood, E. C. Fincher, P. Baker, R. C. W. Mitchell, F. J. de Rome, E. W. Hamilton, F. E. Lawrence, F. J. Ling and F. H. Holdman. Reserve:—E. S. W. Paterson.

At an inquest on Charles Smith, aged 13, of Bentley, Hampshire, who died suddenly, it was stated he had been eating all Christmas Day and that it had proved too much for him.

Spid to have been offering to pawn a pearl button valued at \$350 for 21, Henry Wallace, 65, a porter, was remanded at Marlborough-street charged with stealing it from a house in Harwood-place N.W.

Tso Kwai-sing, Fung King-cheung, Wong Pak-chong, Sun Kam-shun and Chan Kwong-ai.

Eastern China:—C. H. Ho; Wong and Lau Kau; Mao, Liang and Leung Yuk-long; Hu, Lip, Lee, Li Wai-tong and Chen Chan-wo.

The match was played under Far-Eastern rules, which permits of substitutes. Choi Ping-fan replaced Ko Sik-wai in the second half and Shanghai also made a change.

Liang, the Eastern centre-half, played throughout in glasses.

The referee played six minutes short in the first half, and added them to the second, the halves being 39 and 51 minutes respectively.

CRICKET NOTES.

[By "Two-Legs."]

As was generally expected, the Hongkong C.C. v. the Rest of the League match in the Senior Division, could not be played to a finish last Saturday. The game was to have started at 1.45 p.m., but it was not until a little after 2 o'clock that the first ball was bowled. The extra quarter of an hour, however, would not have made any difference to the result.

Hayward's innings for the Club, was far and away the best on either side. He was full of confidence from the outset, and specialised in the off-drive, with which stroke he scored most of his 66 runs. With the splendid start which the first wicket partnership (between Hayward and Evers) gave them, the other Club batsmen went out to pile up the runs as quickly as possible.

The bowling of the Rest was only of a mediocre standard. Brace was not in anywhere near his best form with the ball. In the first few overs, he was bowling wide of the leg stump, and was very expensive. Goodwin bowled really well towards the end, but was severely punished by the earlier batsmen.

"Teddy" Fincher's 52 not out for the Rest was characteristic of his style of play—steady and sure. Sayer might have made a big score, if he had adopted his enterprising methods (when in the mood) he can score as rapidly as any, but he was in, at a time when things were going very badly for his side, the first four batsmen having got out for only 25 runs.

The Club bowling looked dangerous at the beginning, but did not seem difficult to Fincher and Sayer, once they were set.

In the three Junior Division matches, the results were most unexpected, as the weaker sides, on paper, brought off victories. The biggest surprise was the defeat of the Indian R.C. 2nd XI by the Tamar, who are to be complimented on their splendid win. It is a bad policy to take things too easily, even when up against the weakest side, as the Indians apparently, did to their cost. Their glorious uncertainty of the game, which is one of its chief attractions, should never be lost sight of.

The matting wicket at Pokfulam was a big factor in the victory of the University 2nd, over the Recreio. Civil Service 2nd, did well to best the Royal Navy 2nd. Sutherland is back again on the cricket field after an absence of some years. His innings of 22 which included one 6 and three 4's was reminiscent of the days when he always delighted the spectators with his sparkling play.

There are only two matches down for decision this week, one in each Division. In the Senior section, Craigengower will receive the K.O.S.B. As some of the K.O.S.B. players are still in camp, it is unlikely that this game will come off. Kowloon C.C. 2nd XI will be at home to the Tamar. Encouraged by their victory over the Indians last Saturday, the Tamar will go all out to win, but a draw appears to be a fair indication of the strength of the two sides.

It has just been learned that the match between the R.A.O.C. and the Indian R.C. 2nd XI, arranged for the 19th instant, has been put forward and will be played on Sunday, February 5th. In transferring the venue to their own pitch, the Sookunpoo men have taken a wise step, as they cannot afford to take any more chances on the Happy Valley ground, if they desire to win the League. Unless Private Lake meets with success with the ball, the Indians should win.

The two-day between the Hongkong C.C. and the United Services, played over the Chinese New Year holiday, ended in an overwhelming victory for the Club by an innings and 62 runs. The United Services deserved their defeat, if only for their poor exhibition of fielding. Both Hayward and Gardner, who put up 137 runs for the first wicket, were dropped very early on, and in the course of their innings had something like 10 "lives" between them. The bowling of the United Services also left a lot to be desired. They certainly felt the absence of Dobbie, Beatty and Cantrell.

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West Ham v Huddersfield.

DIVISION II.
Hull City v Middlesbrough.
Barnsley v Swans.

DIVISION III (SOUTH).
Coventry v Bristol City.
Swindon v Brighton.

DIVISION III (NORTH).
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At Aberdeen, when John Morrison, cycle agent, Garmond, was fined 20s. for the non-attendance of two of his children at school, it was stated that he was aged 75, had been married twice, and had had 24 children.

Immediately after his wedding at Brighton, on Tuesday Charles Hardwicke, a private in the Royal Sussex Regiment, was arrested as a deserter from his regiment.

Strike out the teams which you think will lose, but make no marks in respect of matches which you think will be drawn.

All claims must reach this office not later than the Wednesday following the date on which the matches are played. No prize will be awarded for which a claim has not been made.

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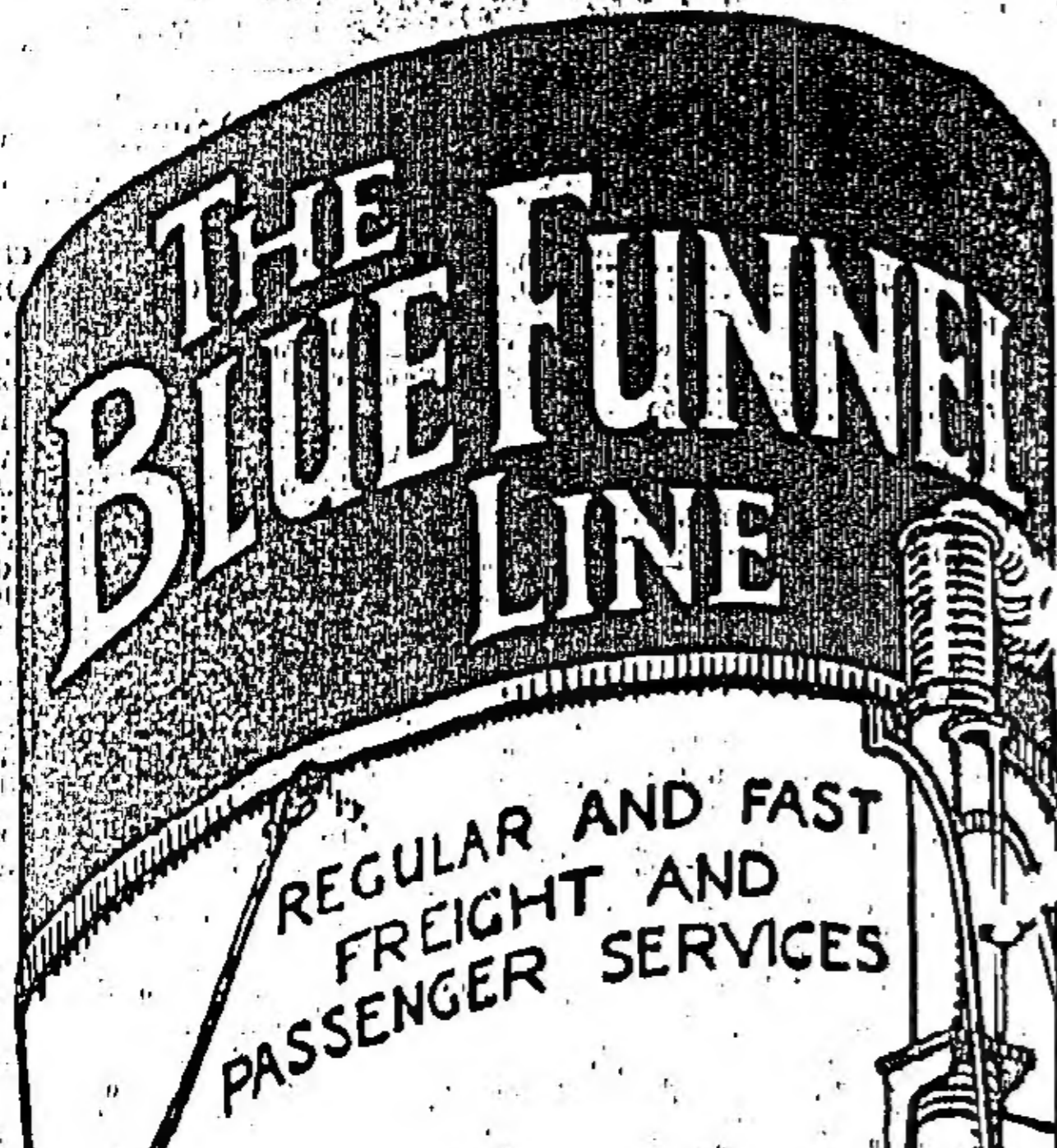
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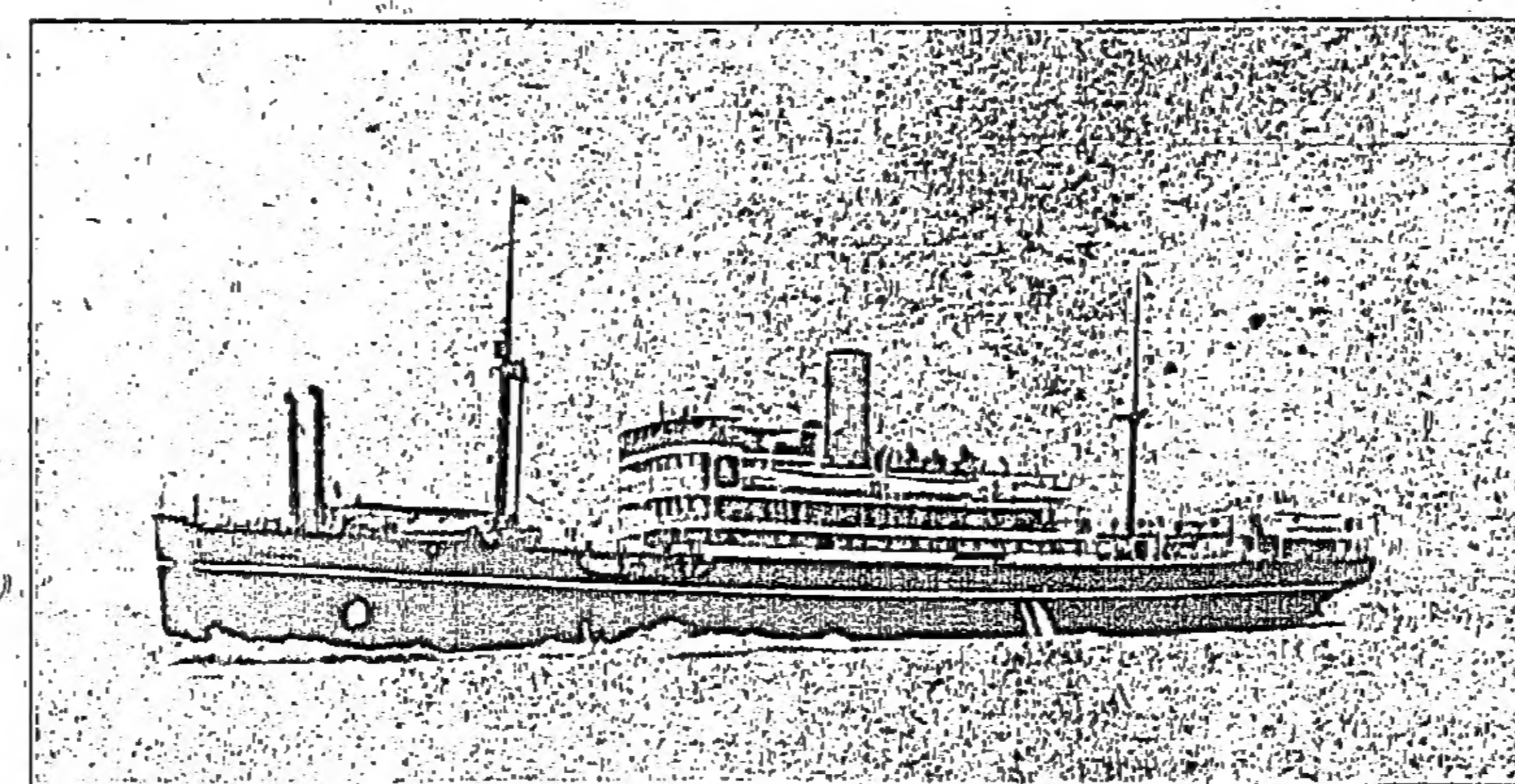
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HANKOW BREAKDOWN.

BRITISH NEWSPAPER VIEWS.

Rugby, Feb. 3.

The situation in China, which was considered at a meeting by the Cabinet yesterday, will, it is understood, be further reviewed at a meeting to-day. No developments have occurred to modify the broad and liberal policy which the Government have laid down, and although disappointment is expressed that the signature of the agreement for a temporary settlement of the status of the Concessions at Hankow and Kiangsu is still unsigned, this incident has not deflected the British Government from its main purpose.

The British offer, which was announced with precision in a statement published last night, still holds good. It and when a competent Chinese authority is found to take advantage of it on behalf of the Chinese nation as a whole.

News of the statement was largely anticipated in Sir Anstey Chamberlain's weekend speech. In view of Mr. Chen's subsequent refusal to sign the draft agreement regarding the Concessions the announcement that the proposal had at that time already been presented to him has caused surprise in the press.

The *Times* says, "All that could possibly be regarded as fair, equitable and practicable in the interests of China, as well as of Great Britain, has been offered in the proposals. Mr. Chen having been informed of these proposals on January 27th, agreed last weekend to discuss with Mr. O'Malley the position of the Hankow and Kiangsu Concessions. He was perfectly aware that military precautions for the defence of lives and property at Shanghai had been taken. Negotiations proceeded actively over the weekend, and an agreement was drafted and was ready for signature on January 29th. Finally, after repeated postponements, Mr. Chen declared that he could not sign because British troops were being sent to Shanghai a fact that he said he had known all the time he was drafting the agreement."

The alarm expressed by Mr. Chen at the despatch of troops has been answered in the number of Ministerial pronouncements during the past three weeks. Troops are being sent with the sole purpose to defend the lives and property of British nationals, should they be threatened.—*British Wireless.*

London, Feb. 3.

While no official information is yet obtainable with regard to the Cabinet discussions on China yesterday, the newspapers agree in the belief that British policy is unchanged.

There is no confirmation of the New York report that the Shanghai Defence Force may be diverted to Hongkong and Weihaiwei.

The Press is almost solidly behind the Government.

The *Times* in an editorial says the Government's policy is excellent. There is no occasion for them to relinquish the task of negotiation or protection.

The *Daily Telegraph* attributes Mr. Chen's sudden and belated demand for the recall of the British troops to a desire to counter the activities of Peking, and says that both parties to this edifying competition may rest assured that neither will be in a position to claim that its action has caused the British Government to depart from its declared intentions.

The *Morning Post* says that Chen, by suspending negotiations, was trying to force the British Government to stop its concentration, which is one of several signs that the policy of concentration is sound. It will be found to be the most powerful argument and the most helpful factor in the pursuit of peace. The *Post* urges the severance of Anglo-Russian relations as a reply to the Russian attack in China.

The *Daily Chronicle* says the British proposals to China are liberal and far-reaching. The hitch at Hankow is not necessarily fatal, but must be seriously considered. It is a case for compromise and for time.

The *Westminster Gazette* says Mr. Chen has not made things easy for us. He cannot expect us to withdraw under threats, but if he will show us that his Government is willing and able to protect the foreign concessions in Shanghai we certainly shall not desire to take that work out of his hands, or make any show of force that may be superfluous.

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CHINA'S WAR.

INDEFINITE SITUATION IN
CHEKIANG.

Shanghai, Feb. 3.

The military situation in Chekiang is somewhat obscure. There have been persistent reports during the past few days that Sun Chuan-fang's forces sustained a defeat south of Hangchow, but these reports are not believed to be authoritative in foreign quarters here, and are stoutly denied by Sun Chuan-fang's headquarters.

They probably are based on the fact that a couple of days ago Sun Chuan-fang's forces retreated from Lanchi and are now probably no further forward than Yenchow, on the Tientsin river.

This is not admitted by Sun Chuan-fang's headquarters but it is believed to be true. It does not of course constitute a reverse.

The reason for drawing in Sun Chuan-fang's lines is not clear but foreign military experts here think it is due to the arrival of southern reinforcements, possibly Hunanese troops, at Chuchow on the western border of Chekiang.

Several reports are current to the effect that the Southerners intend making a drive on Shanghai so that the city may be occupied before the British troops arrive.—*Reuter.*

Big Battle at Changshutun.

Shanghai, Feb. 2.
 The Southern forces resumed the offensive against Lanchi from Kuchow, and were met by Sun's troops in three places, the centre of the fighting being at Changshutun.

Heavy casualties are reported to have been suffered by both sides. The Southerners made their retreat to Lungyau and Kuchow, on the 29th ult., and General Mang Chao-yueh is preparing to pursue the retreating forces. General Chou Yam-yun, formerly of Fukien, called a meeting at Shaoching of his subordinates, and it was decided that his army should turn back, to suppress the remnant of the Chekiang forces, and oppose the invasion of Chekiang territory by the Cantonese forces under Ho Ying-vam.

General Li Chen-sang, who surrendered to the Nationalist forces on the capitulation of Fukien, has also left Foochow for Chekiang, with his troops, and General Yan Chu-king is in charge of the administration of Foochow.—*Wah Kiu Yat Po.*

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The junk, of 972 piculs capacity, left Tam Chau in the Heung Shan district early on the morning of January 30. There were nine males on board including three owners of the cargo of sugar and one passenger. At 8 o'clock that same night when near Ki O, Heung Shan, a grey launch was sighted. The junk was passing within 50 feet of the launch when someone on board fired at it. The crew immediately sought shelter in the cargo hold, while the launch came alongside the junk and four or five men boarded the smaller boat. They took the cargo owners and master on to the launch, the others being imprisoned in the hold with two pirates keeping guard over them.

The junk was towed to Kam Sing Mun where the pirates disembarked taking the four persons, part of the cargo and the junk's armament consisting of four rifles, one signal, 122 cartridges and four pounds of gun powder. They also stole a box of percussion caps and clothing to the value of \$10. The pirate launch steamed away in the direction of Macao while the junk went to Lin Tin from where it came to Hongkong. The total value of the cargo taken was about \$200.

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in military preparations. Then they will secure peace with honour.—*Reuter.*

Mr. Chen Relies on British Labour.

London, Feb. 3.
 The Independent Labour Party has received a long cable from Mr. Chen enclosing a copy of his statement to Mr. O'Malley breaking off negotiations at Hankow.

Mr. Chen's cable, which is a reply to cables from the National Joint Labour Council, British Labour Council for Chinese Freedom, and I.L.P., assures them of the desire of his government to negotiate a peaceful settlement, relying on British Labour to assist in controlling the adventurous elements of the British Government.—*Reuter.*

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KITANO MARU ... Saturday, 12th Mar.

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MISHIMA MARU ... Wednesday, 23rd Feb. at 11 a.m.
TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 23rd Mar.

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.
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CALCUTTA MARU ... Monday, 21st Feb.

LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.
TAJIMA MARU (Calls Glasgow) ... Saturday, 5th Feb.
BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.
KAMAKURA MARU ... Saturday, 5th Feb.

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.
AWA MARU ... Thursday, 10th Feb.
SEIYO MARU ... Tuesday, 22nd Feb.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
NAGATO MARU ... Tuesday, 8th Feb.
OSAKA MARU ... Friday, 18th Feb.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
TANGO MARU ... Friday, 19th Feb.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
NAGATO MARU (Moji direct) ... Friday, 4th Feb.

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Destination.	Steamer.	Sailings.
CANTON	Hopsang	Satur. 5th Feb at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Fookang	Satur. 7th Feb at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAU Swatow & Shai Kwongshing	Wed. 9th Feb at 7 a.m.	
TIENTRIN	Cheongshing	Thurs. 10th Feb at 7 a.m.
HAIPHONG	Mingsang	Thurs. 10th Feb at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Kutsang	Fri. 11th Feb at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAU Swatow & Shai Hopsang	Sun. 13th Feb at 7 a.m.	
OSAKA via Moji & Kobe	Laisang	Tues. 15th Feb at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Suisang	Tues. 15th Feb at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAU Swatow & Shai Yatsing	Wed. 16th Feb at 7 a.m.	
SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Thurs. 17th Feb at 2 p.m.
OSAKA Shai, Moji & Kobe	Hosang	Satur. 19th Feb at 7 a.m.
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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 21st February, 1927, or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th February, 1927, at 10 a.m.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by,
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Hongkong, Jan. 31, 1927.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees per Company's Steamer, "Antiochus."

From NEW YORK via MANILA, are hereby notified that the cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf Kowloon, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 1st February.

Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 9th February will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 23rd February or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BETTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Agents.
Hongkong, January 31st, 1927.

AMERICA & MANCHURIAN LINE.

From NEW YORK and SAN FRANCISCO.

The Steamship, "CITY OF LAHORE," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of Holt's Wharf, whence Delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 7th February, 1927, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 14th February, 1927, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays, between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon, within the free storage period of one week.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by,
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Hongkong, January 1, 1927.

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From NEW YORK.

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 14th February, 1927, or they will not be recognized.

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Hongkong, February 1, 1927.

Liverpool.—The Liverpool Cathedral organ, completed recently, is said to be the largest in the world. It cost \$5,000 pounds and is driven by motors totalling 35 horsepower. There are five rows of keys, 222 draw knobs, 1686 stops, and 10,934 pipes. The organ is so large that there are 17 telephones from various parts that are used for communication by the tuners.

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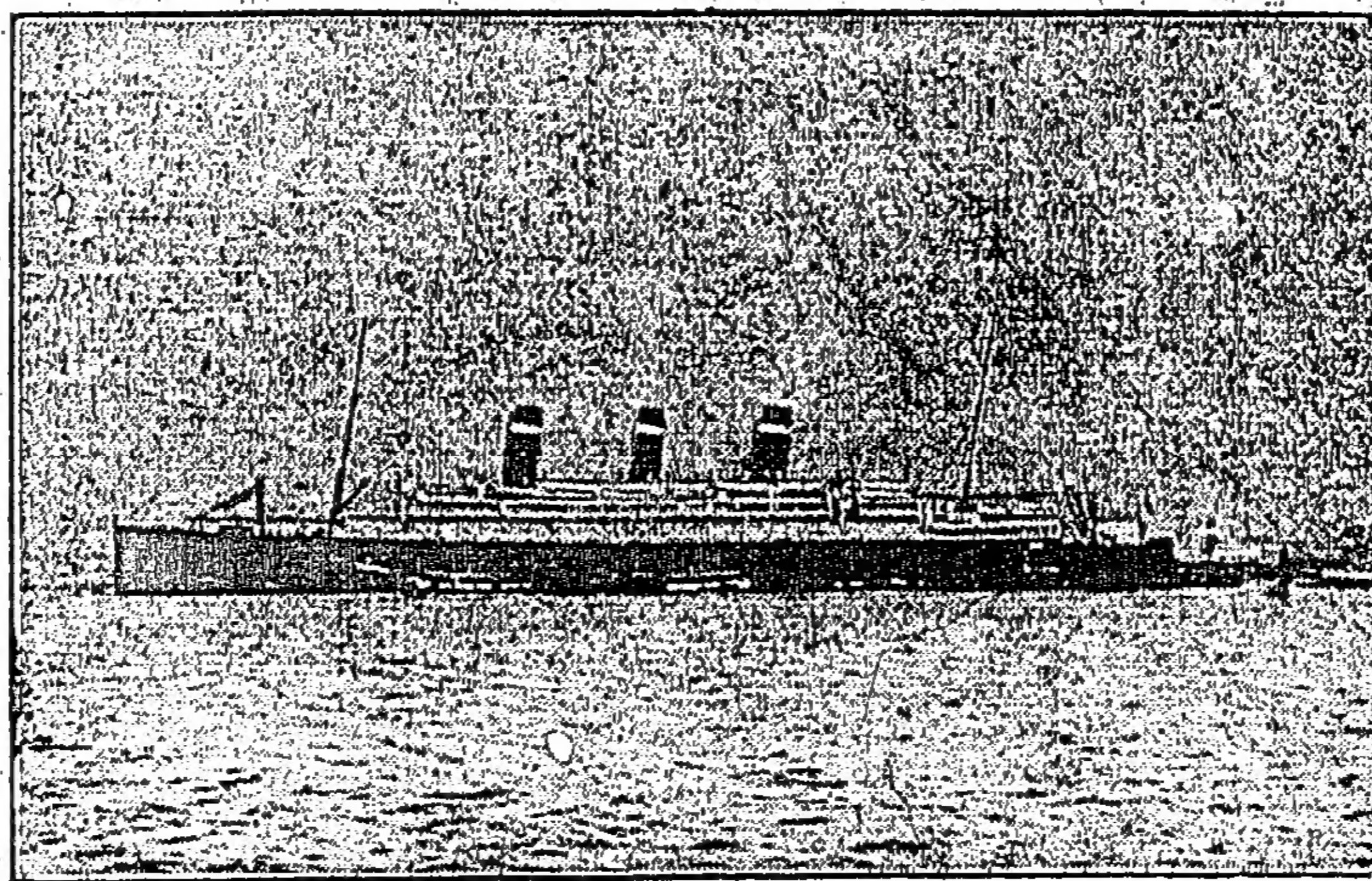
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ROUND-THE-WORLD LINER HERE.



Above is the Red Star liner Belgenland, which arrived in port to-day with 400 round-the-world tourists on board.

HANKOW DEALLOCK
ISSUE.

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Donald introduced. Afterwards, the National Joint Council met again for a short discussion, and adjourned until to-morrow.

RUSSIAN INFLUENCE.

CABINET MINISTERS' VIEWS.

London, Feb. 3.

It is noteworthy that two Cabinet Ministers last evening, in dealing with China, dwelt on Russian influence on the Anglo-Chinese negotiations.

Mr. Amery, in a speech at Willemhall, declared that the British terms would never be rejected by any Chinese Government that was thinking only of Chinese rights or even of Chinese sentiments. If they were rejected, it could only be through the influence of other forces behind the Chinese Government—forces concerned not with Chinese welfare but with world revolution and destruction of the British Empire. The British Government was not going to be deterred from pursuing a patient and conciliatory policy and doing our imperative duty to our fellow-citizens in China.

Mr. W. C. Bridgman, in a speech at Ellesmere, declared: "It is clear that the influence which is causing all the difficulty between Britain and China is not so much Chinese as Russian. We must exercise as great as possible patience in resisting that influence. He did not in the least despair of our arriving at some reasonable arrangement for the revision of the Treaties, but nobody should wish us to risk the lives of our fellow-subjects by hurrying in the negotiations without securing that their safety was thoroughly assured."

SPECIAL INTERCESSION.

APPEAL TO CLERGY AND MINISTERS.

London, Feb. 3.

"In view of the present anxieties and perils in the Far East," the Archbishops of Canterbury and the President of the National Council of Evangelical Free Churches, urge all clergy and ministers to make special intercession on February 6th, for a "peaceful, honourable and permanent settlement" of the existing Anglo-Chinese differences.—*Reuter*.

FRENCH AIMS.

JEALOUS OF CHINA'S INTEGRITY.

Paris, Feb. 3.

Before the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Senate, M. Briand said that in the Far East the French Government was dominated by the care not to impair the integrity of China. It was ready, when the time came, to facilitate for China, access to independence and the possession of liberties enjoyed by the most modest national organisations.

M. Briand hoped that the Chinese authorities in the regions controlled by them would take all necessary steps to protect lives and property.—*Reuter*.

The rainfall registered at the Botanical Gardens during January totalled 6.44-inch. There were 29 days on which no rain fell.

The 42nd Heavy Battery, Royal Artillery, has been absorbed by the 32nd Heavy Battery, and officers and men rendered surplus will be posted to other units.

CHINA UNREST.

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and could only keep it in check to a limited extent. The whole situation looked utterly hopeless but, just when the limit of patience had been reached, the dous ex-machina arrived, in the shape of the super-officials attached to the Tsien Gung Hwei, the lords of all unions. They spurned the leaders of the false union and after hearing the facts of the case all over again, for the sake of form, they agreed to allow Mr. Harvey to leave bag and baggage, provided he would sign a paper to the effect that no damage had been done. This he readily agreed to do and eventually left with all his belongings intact on the morning of the 23rd. Baggage, which had been loaded into the junks, and not been touched as the Farmers' Union had displayed good generalship by sealing the junks before making their kindly offer.

The whole journey, occupying 12 days, was made by junk and, with the exception of considerable discomfort, the travellers arrived in the early hours of a Monday morning without incident. The fleet had swelled to six craft by the time it reached Hankow, other refugees had been encountered on the way.

400 TOURISTS.

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steamer chair, the space available for chairs being unusually broad. At night this deck is frequently used as a ballroom and when decorated with multi-coloured electric globes and flags, presents a charming appearance. A feature of the upper deck is a space for sports of generous proportions, where deck tennis, golf, shuffle-board and other games are played.

Other features of the vessel relating directly to recreation are as follows: Two large and well equipped gymnasiums, an indoor swimming pool, with Turkish bath attached and two outdoor pools, the largest on any ship. Three verandahs, available for refreshment, table games or dancing. A Japanese tea garden for dining or dancing.

The interior of the Belgenland resembles closely a huge modern hotel. In her public rooms, the ship presents an appeal to varied tastes. Her drawing room is fitted with wide armed easy chairs and has an open hearth. In the centre of the ship is the lounge extending from side to side. It has wide bay windows, a big fireplace, a library, recesses for writing, broad sofas and many comfortable chairs and tables for games. This is the social centre of the ship.

THE SUFFOLKS.

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The badge is the "The Castle and Key, superscribed 'Gibraltar 1779-83, and with the motto underneath *Montis Insignia Calpe*."

The uniform is red and facings yellow, while the depot is at Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk. Disembarkation of the Suffolks began at the Naval Yard at about ten o'clock this morning, the battalion leaving the Achilles in small detachments. Col. Comyn and Capt. Dobbie, of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, and Major Macready and Major Peterson greeted the new Battalion on arrival.

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

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AND

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM
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Consignees per Company's Steamer

"Patroclus."

From UNITED KINGDOM via

SINGAPORE.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th February will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 24th Feb. or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE

Agents.

Hongkong, Feb. 4, 1927.

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"OLD CLOTHES."

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But watch him step—big shoes and all! You'll laugh as never before at the uproarious adventures of the most lovable waif in pictures! Wait 'till you see him as best man at the funniest wedding that ever happened. Here's the great successor to "The Rag Man."

By WILLARD MAKE, directed by EDDIE CLINE. Under the personal supervision of JACK COOGAN, JR.

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with plenty of humour and a pleasing touch of romance. Max Davidson plays the role of Jackie's partner admirably, whilst Joan Crawford is excellent as Mary Riley. The film is well worth seeing.

Other features in the programme are a lengthy Gaumont news reel, an Inkwell cartoon and a Prizma colour picture, to say nothing of the excellent orchestral selections. There were big houses at all sessions yesterday.